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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Obvious Course

HONGKONG went back to a daily supply of water yesterday after three weeks of what must be described as fairly strict and, in the case of some people, harsh rationing. But there should be no criticism of the Water Authority's conservative outlook just as there should be no misgivings that it is now to permit a greater outflow from the reservoirs—to the extent of four to six million gallons a day more.

The Colony can approve its flexible approach to rationing and its ability to make adjustments to the supply arrangements whenever possible, even to take risks. But while one is naturally careful to underline the need to avoid excessive usage now or at any time, and to condemn waste, the "risk" that Mr. Bowring spoke of on Saturday does not at the moment appear to be a great one.

GOVERNMENT is in a position to know at what point the emergency restrictions—if the one-waterless day system may be so described—should be restored, if necessary. Granted the mainland reservoirs appear to be at a surprisingly low level, but the streams are now pouring a fairly steady flow of water into them and with the ground in a fairly sudden state, one substantial fall of six inches on the mainland should be sufficient to remove the threat of drought for the summer.

This assumes, of course, that the Shing Mun reservoir will benefit. This is not too much to hope for. Indeed the Colony must consider itself extremely fortunate if there is only one heavy fall of rain this summer. In fact, it is almost impossible to imagine. But if there is a risk that the right kind of rain does not materialise soon, is it not fair and indeed more logical to weigh the other possibility, as Government has done, and hope for a turn for the better, if not the best?

Refugees

IN the weekend plea to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Chinese Refugee International Council is doing no more than jogging dilatory memories in Geneva. It asks for a decision—long overdue—on the Hambro report. And what UNREF must decide soon—and the sooner the better—is whether to approach the problem of Hongkong's 700,000 Chinese refugees realistically or else dodge the issue by taking cover behind a shield of legal technicalities.

Dr. Hambro agrees that the "refugee" status of many may be doubtful but urges that there should be international assistance to overcome what the Chinese Refugee International Council describes as "one of the major social problems of Asia". Later he urged a substantial grant for refugee relief work in the Colony—for although the Hongkong Government and a large number of voluntary agencies have made very real contributions for their welfare, it is not nearly enough.

The Hambro report has been in the hands of UNREF for more than a year, and it is a fair plea that it should make up its mind soon.

PLANE DROPS MIGHTY H-BOMB

"Magnificent And Appalling Spectacle"

VIVID DESCRIPTION OF THE EXPLOSION

Aboard USS Mt. McKinley, May 21.
The first hydrogen bomb ever dropped by the US Air Force burst over Bikini before dawn today with the brilliance of a thousand suns and the power of 10 million tons of TNT.

The bomb was unleashed by an eight-jet B-52 inter-continental bomber from an altitude of about 50,000 feet as the bombardier peered through his sight at an illuminated bulls-eye on tiny Namu Island.

A minute later it exploded at about 10,000 feet, rending the predawn blackness with a sheet of dazzling light followed by a cosmic thunderclap.

As a spectacle, this historic airburst was at once magnificent and appalling.

Fifteen newsmen and 16 civil defence observers aboard this ship 39 land miles from the explosion were momentarily stunned by the brilliance of the light and the magnitude of the fireball.

These observers had been taken to sweat out 10 positions of the big shot since May 8 as capricious winds threatened to waft the deadly radioactive shower over the inhabited islands of the Marshall group south of here.

The Task Force leaders went to extremes to avoid a repetition of the 1954 incident when a host of Japanese fishermen and a number of US servicemen and islanders were caught in the fallout.

Thirty minutes after the burst, a beautiful pink and peach cloud had soared toward a maximum height of 25 miles. Like a vast wedge of cauliflower, its top spread laterally toward a maximum of 100 miles—seeming to tower over this observer ship.

But it was that first flash of light accompanied by an instantaneous heat that symbolized the bomb's weird, unearthly power.

This was elemental nuclear force—the same kind of force that energizes the sun and the stars and all the galaxies.

When the observers put on their nearly opaque goggles one minute before shot time, the night was pitch dark except for a sprinkling of stars. A dark mass of cloud obscured a portion of the horizon in the direction of Namu.

A tape recorded voice, triggered by radio as the bomb plunged silently down from its nest in the B-52, began a mechanical count down 10 seconds before the blast.

Precisely at zero it seemed as though a sun had exploded in the heavens.

and pink as it erupted skyward bearing hundreds of thousands of tons of Namu's vaporized coral sand mingled with other tons of water sucked up from the sea and lagoon.

The fireball itself lasted several seconds. As it subsided, the cloud stem shot toward the stratosphere, piercing a fat rain cloud like a giant spear.

When it reappeared above the cloud, it had expanded into the mushroom shape—trade mark of the atomic age—that grew furiously second by second. Two minutes after the burst, the mushroom was shouldering into the clear sky, passing the 30,000 foot mark and fading in colour to rose, cerise and a sort of electric violet.

The shock wave sped the intervening miles in two minutes and 53 seconds and washed across the Task Force ships with a rushing sound like a squadron of invisible jets were passing overhead. It hit the ears of watchers with an almost painful pressure that last for several seconds.

The shock was accompanied by a roll of thunder like the voice of an angry god.

This stalk was a violent red at first, changing slowly to rose

Fists Shaken At Lord Lloyd

Aden, May 20.
Hundreds of Arabs shook their fists and shouted anti-British slogans today when Lord Lloyd, the British Parliamentary Secretary for the Colonies, left for British Somaliland leaving behind a Colony convinced that Britain intends to stay.

Businessmen in Aden port, one of the world's busiest, were relieved at Lord Lloyd's firm statement to the legislature on Saturday that Britain will not give up her responsibilities in this Colony.

They feel that there will be a return of the confidence that dwindled with the recent strikes and the growth of Arab nationalist groups.—Reuters.

RACE TRACK DISASTER

4 Killed, 21 Injured

Chimay, Belgium, May 20.
Two speeding autos locked wheels on a race track curve and plunged into the screaming crowd today in motor racing's worst spectator disaster since 82 died at Le Mans one year ago.

Police reported at least four persons killed and 21 injured seriously enough to require hospital treatment in the flaming wreckage.

Both drivers, trying for Belgium's "grand prize" of the frontiers, escaped with their lives—one dragged free of his blazing wreck by onlookers who suffered severe burns in the rescue.

And the race went on, just like the June 11, 1955 disaster at Le Mans. The disaster killed 82 and injured between 100 and 180 persons. Two cars collided at high speed and smashed the inadequate protective barrier plunging in flames into the spectators.

It happened again today at Chimay, a little village in the Ardennes forest of eastern Belgium barely five miles away from France.

The "Grand Prix des Frontiers" had just been flagged off and the racers were roaring along at mid-speed in the usual scramble for rail position.

Up loomed the well-known Sales Bend, a sharp and narrow speed trap a few hundred yards down from the starting line.

Charles H. Threlfall of Britain, driving a Bristol, and Switzerland's Callet, aboard an Italian Maserati, picked each other out as potential challengers and gunned into the curve abreast.

A policeman among the crowd at the bend—he wouldn't give his name—told what happened then.

"They were racing neck and neck around the bend when their wheels seemed to lock and they went into a long skid."

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Drifting Yacht Sinks After Collision

New York, May 20.
The helplessly drifting crippled yacht, Escape II, collided with a tanker and sank in the East River today while thousands of persons watched from the shore.

Police said one of six persons aboard the 32-foot cabin cruiser died despite the efforts of a doctor aboard a rescue vessel to revive her.

The five others aboard the ill-fated "Escape" were rescued, one by a 20-year-old sailor who ripped off his uniform and plunged into the water. An 18-year-old girl jumped into the river to save a dog.

Three persons were picked up by the yacht An-Ge and two by the yacht Sea Gate. Dr. Frank Miller, a member of the staff of Bellevue Hospital, performed an emergency operation on the throat of Mrs. Ruth Nettles aboard the Sea Gate and gave artificial respiration for an hour but all efforts to revive her failed.

The Escape was chugging North and the small tanker W. J. Derby was carrying a load of fuel south. Suddenly, the Escape's engines went dead. Before a signal could be given, the cabin cruiser had drifted into the Derby's path.

Motorists pulled to a halt and watched the collision. Cars were parked bumper-to-bumper in a traffic jam while occupants watched. Other people watched from apartment windows and parks.

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TODAY'S RACING SELECTIONS

By "Rapier"

RACE 1

Cover Girl
Atomic Caesar
Free Success
Outsider:—Dutch Courage.

RACE 2

Evergreen
Lodde
Monk Penny
Outsider:—Spanish Fan.

RACE 3

Good Girl
Attractive Power
Easy Slam
Outsider:—Bogonia.

RACE 4

Thunder Sky
Quizette
Rowanglen
Outsider:—First Lady.

RACE 5

Sultan
Flying Dutchman
Ma Chere
Outsider:—Hammer Mill.

RACE 6

How Do I Know
Full Ahead
Every Day
Outsider:—Easy Money.

RACE 7

Chessington
Diana
Fighting Spirit
Outsider:—Santa Maria.

RACE 8

Phoenix
Tonyber
Chinese Mackerel
Outsider:—Never Forget.

RACE 9

Bluegrass
City of Victoria
The Cherub
Outsider:—Sincerely Yours.

RACE 10

Carola
Kelpie
Mak Siller
Outsider:—Caravelle.

RACE 11

Larc Triomphe
Tom Thumb
John Hellfax
Outsider:—Super-King.

RACE 12

Golden Branch
Resurrection
Babele
Outsider:—Knock-Down.

By "The Turf"

RACE 1

Atomic Caesar
Free Success
Cover Girl
Outsider:—Invincible.

RACE 2

Evergreen
Lodde
Spanish Fan
Outsider:—Turt Heroine.

RACE 3

Good Girl
Attractive Power
Marine Charger
Outsider:—Bogonia.

RACE 4

Green Velvet
Quizette
Rowanglen
Outsider:—First Lady.

RACE 5

Matador
Sultan
Hammer Mill
Outsider:—Marianne.

RACE 6

Full Ahead
How Do I Know
Bengal Lancer
Outsider:—Easy Money.

RACE 7

Chessington
Diana
Fighting Spirit
Outsider:—Amusement.

RACE 8

Phoenix
Gladiolus
Chinese Mackerel
Outsider:—Bashful Beauty II.

RACE 9

Bluegrass
City of Victoria
Norse King
Outsider:—The Cherub.

RACE 10

Carola
Mak Siller
Caravelle
Outsider:—Escalator.

RACE 11

Tom Thumb
Larc Triomphe
Super-King
Outsider:—Sportmanship.

RACE 12

Raja
Johnber
Golden Branch
Outsider:—Resurrection.

TODAY'S TEASER TIP
for the 8th race
You don't have very far to look to find it.
Saturday's teaser tip was Happy Warrior which was unplaced.

Hefty Schoolgirls Attack British Soldiers

Nicosia, May 20.
A band of hefty Cypriot girls in gym suits challenged British soldiers to a pitched battle today and the gallant soldiers retired in blushing defeat.

The Turkish had loaded sub-machine guns, Billy clubs and tear gas. But their sallies were shrewder than their valour and they took a rain of blows from fist-swinging, club-tossing and stone-throwing school girls without flinching back.

Some of the girls were as big and muscular as the teen-aged British druffies they tried to battle outside the Museum Street girls school.

It was no one-sided that an order finally was given to fire tear gas. But the girls were ready. Reinforcements rushed out with buckets of sand and another the gas grenades.

There were no tears from these girls.

Dozens of girls between 13 and 17 years old massed in their blue skirts and white blouses.

They were racing neck and neck around the bend when their wheels seemed to lock and they went into a long skid.

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on their Sunday holiday outside the front door of the school. When a British patrol came along they opened up hurling stones, bricks and bottles.

The girls may turn out to be a secret weapon for the anti-British underground here. They proved in one attack that the British would not fire on supposedly defenceless girls.

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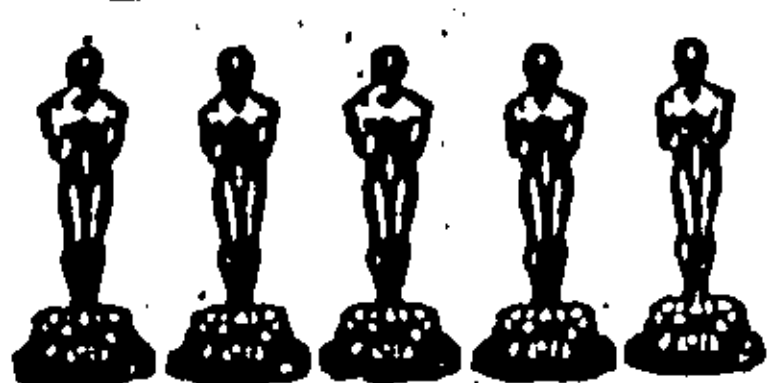
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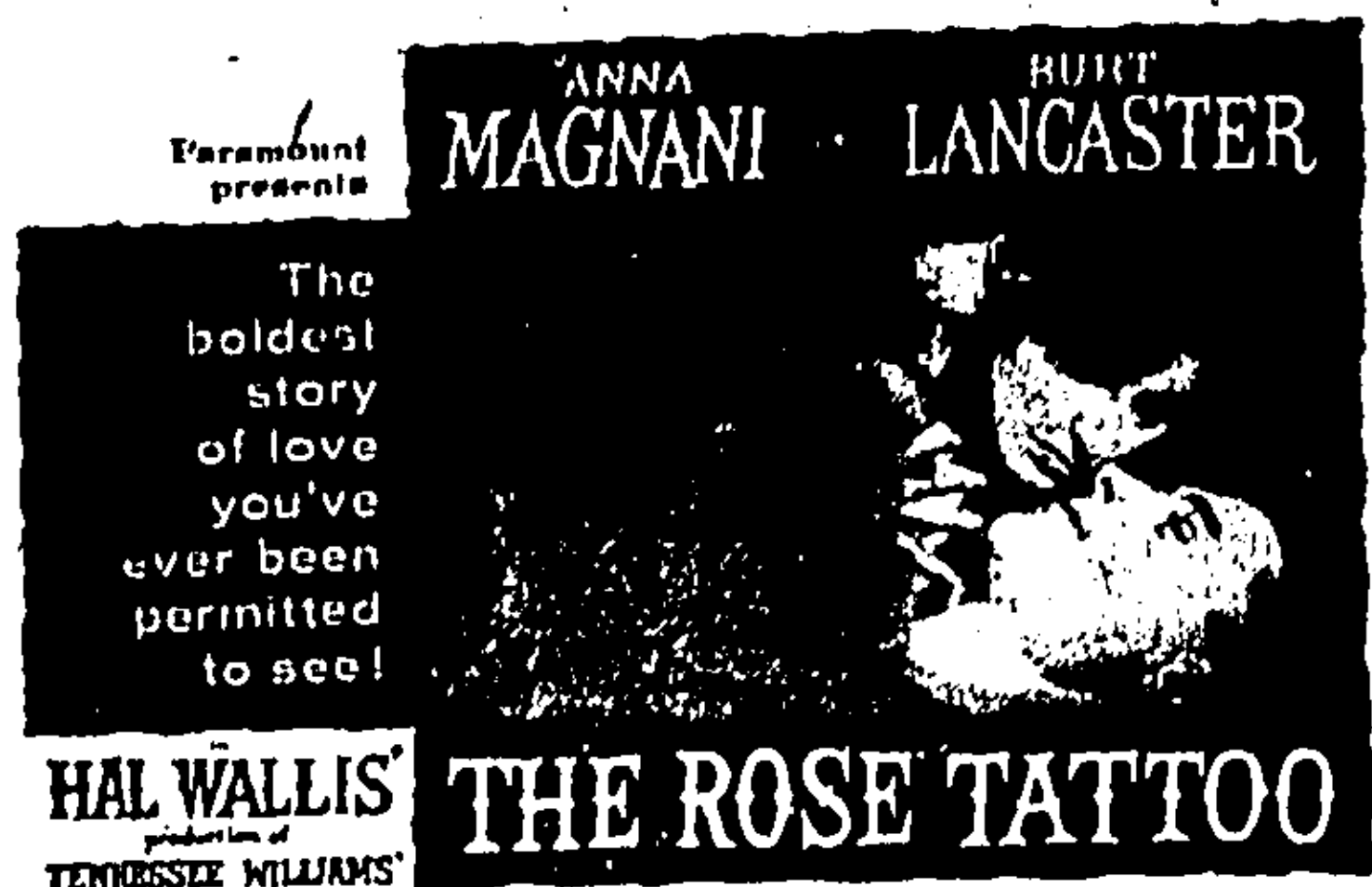


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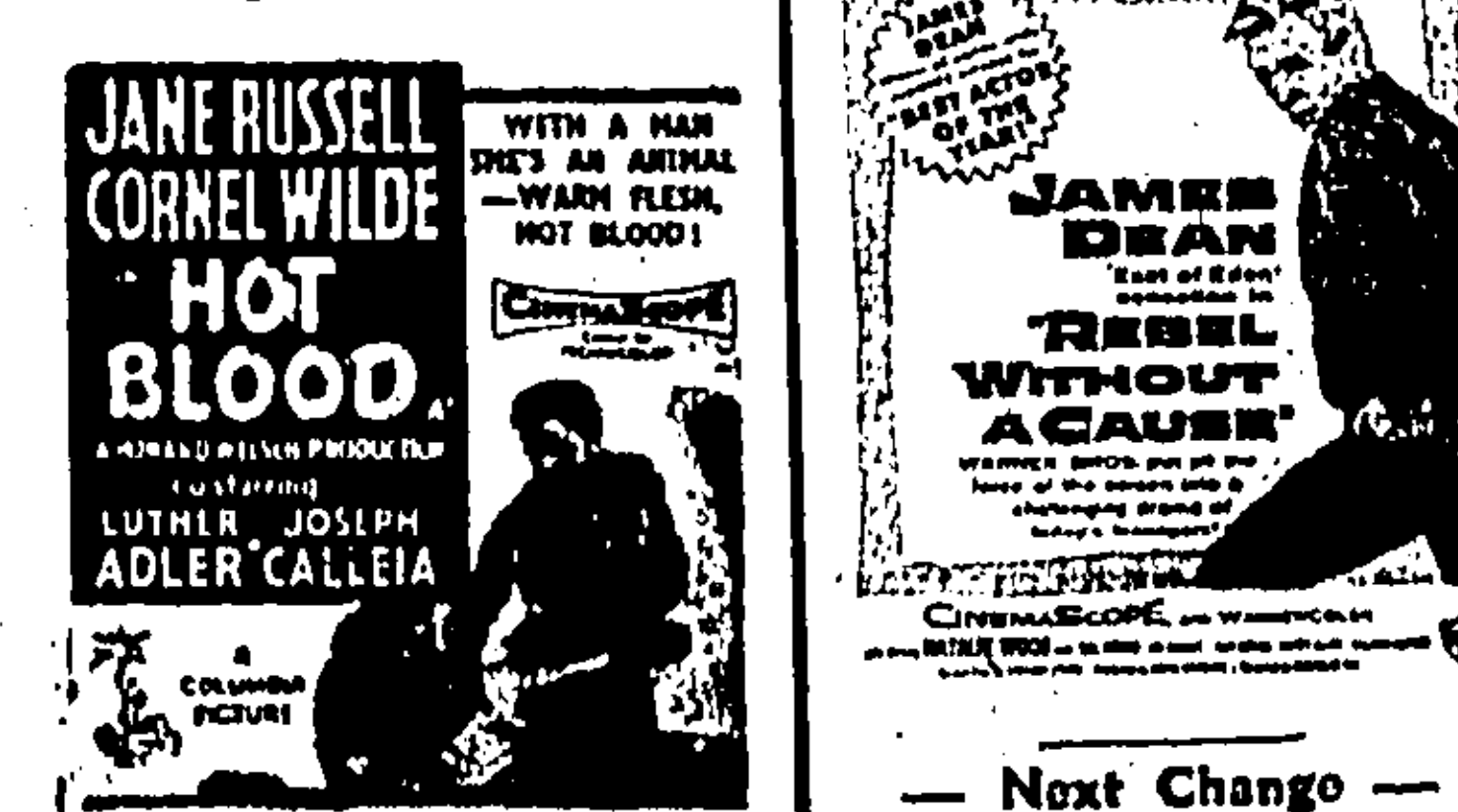
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After A Look At British A-stations... SOVIET ATOM CHIEF: 'OUR WAY IS BETTER'

Sir Winston Revisits Germany



Heerne—Sir Winston Churchill is pictured inspecting the 4th Queen's Own Hussars in his capacity as Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment. This visit to Germany—his first since the end of World War II—found Sir Winston receiving an award from the people of Aachen for his contribution to European unity.—London Express Photo.

PINEAU GETS BIG WELCOME AT LENINGRAD

Leningrad, May 20. In spite of drenching rain, two or three thousand Soviet citizens turned out to give a tumultuous welcome to the French Foreign Minister M. Christian Pineau as his train drew into Leningrad today.

M. Pineau is on a four-day tour of the Soviet Union following three days of talks with Soviet leaders which ended yesterday.

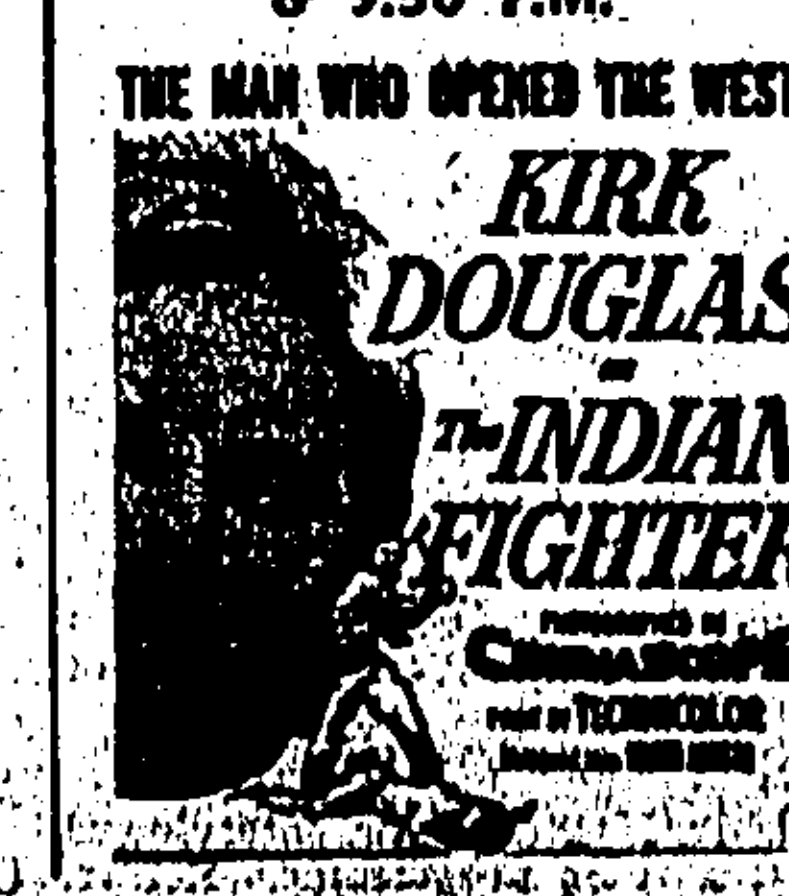
Soviet sailors, their heads cropped, sand-paper smooth, children in old-fashioned pinafores with sashes and high-buttoned boots, women with white scarves tied peasant fashion round their heads were among the crowds who stood patently in the rain to greet the French Foreign Minister.

On the platform stood the station-master, with curled, waxed moustache and same red peaked cap he wore on the job in the days of Czar Nicolas.

Beautiful City Behind him waited M. Smirnov, President of the Local Soviet, who stepped forward to welcome M. Pineau. The French Foreign Minister was taken on a tour of Leningrad, one of the most beautiful cities in the world with its numerous pinnacled palaces and its golden spires alongside the broad waters of the Neva. He was taken into the underground, a smaller but equally sumptuous version of the famous Moscow underground. Then he visited the hermitage, one of the world's richest art galleries, where workers dressed in their Sunday best crowded round to watch him admire works of art.

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THE MAN WHO OPENED THE WEST!

Moscow, May 20. Mr Igor Kurchatov, the Soviet Atomic Physicist, who inspected British atomic energy centres last month, said today Britain's solution to the problem of developing atomic power may not turn out to be the best economically.

The designers of British atomic power stations were apparently working in one direction only—"The utilisation of graphite, gas-cooled reactors."

Writing in the Soviet Communist party newspaper, Pravda, Mr Kurchatov commented: "from an economic point of view this solution may not turn out to be the best."

"This solution admittedly makes it possible to use only natural uranium, thus preserving enriched uranium for other purposes, but does not make full use of natural uranium," he said.

"British physicists propose to solve this problem later with fast neutron reactors. An experimental reactor of this type is due to be commissioned in Scotland in 1958 but it is not intended to produce electric power."

'WE DIFFER' (Britain's fast neutron reactor, to be built at Dounreay, northern Scotland, is intended to reproduce atomic fuel, possibly at the same time as it generates power).

Mr Kurchatov said the direction of British atomic energy development differed from that chosen by Russia. The Soviet five year plan for atomic power stations would provide wider opportunities of choosing the best way of developing the future science of atomic energy.

The Soviet plan provided for the commissioning of three types of atomic power stations, in addition to several experimental types.

They were:

★ one using a fuel of natural or enriched uranium, moderated by ordinary water;

★ enriched uranium fuel and a graphite moderator;

★ natural uranium fuel and heavy water moderator.—Reuter.

MARTINE CAROL SICK

Singapore, May 20. French film actress Martine Carol arrived in Singapore today to publicise her latest CinemaScope film "Lola Montes."

Miss Carol was running a high fever from an attack of laryngitis when she stepped down from the airplane but told reporters she would see them tomorrow because "I am so sick."

Though sick and unable to speak above a whisper, Miss Carol posed obligingly for a large group of photographers at the airport but told reporters she would see them tomorrow because "I am so sick."

Miss Carol and her husband, producer Christian Jacques, were expected to stay in Singapore for three days as guests of Chinese film magnate, Run Run Shaw.—Reuter.

Not Like The Cake That Mother Baked

Plymouth, May 20. A motorist found what he thought was a rusty "cake tin" on the beach near here, and put it in his car, and drove away. After driving two miles he examined the object thoroughly—and telephoned the police. They arrived to find that the motorist had picked up a land mine.—China Mail Special.

Abominable 'Something' On Slopes Of Himalayas

Wellington, May 20. Mr George Lowe, a member of the British expedition which conquered Mount Everest in 1953, said "There's definitely something there" when asked last night about the "abominable snowman" of the Himalayas.

Mr Lowe, who is the official photographer of the forthcoming British Antarctic expedition, was guest of honour with Sir Edmund Hillary, who reached the summit of Everest, at a dinner at New Plymouth.

He and Sir Edmund Hillary were both answering questions on the 1953 Everest expedition when he was asked about the snowman. He conferred with Sir Edmund Hillary before replying.

Mr Lowe declared that definite tracks capable of being recognised and photographed had been found since 1890. He and Sir Edmund Hillary had only once seen traces of the snowman—in 1962 while crossing a steep pass with loose rock at about 20,000 feet near the head of the Barun valley.

I Don't Think

"The rock was very loose and occasionally things came down with a clatter," Mr Lowe said. "There definitely is something which inhabits the slopes of the Himalayas whose tracks have been found from one to the other of that range at altitudes of about 18,000 feet. "I don't think it is half bear and half man, but there is something," Mr Lowe said.—China Mail Special.

Animal Holds Up Train

Blantyre, May 20. An animal which made its burrow in a railway embankment was responsible for a hold-up lasting a fortnight in the passage of trains between the Mosembale port of Beira and the Nyassaland interior, according to the General Manager of the Nyassaland Railways, Mr H. W. Stevens.

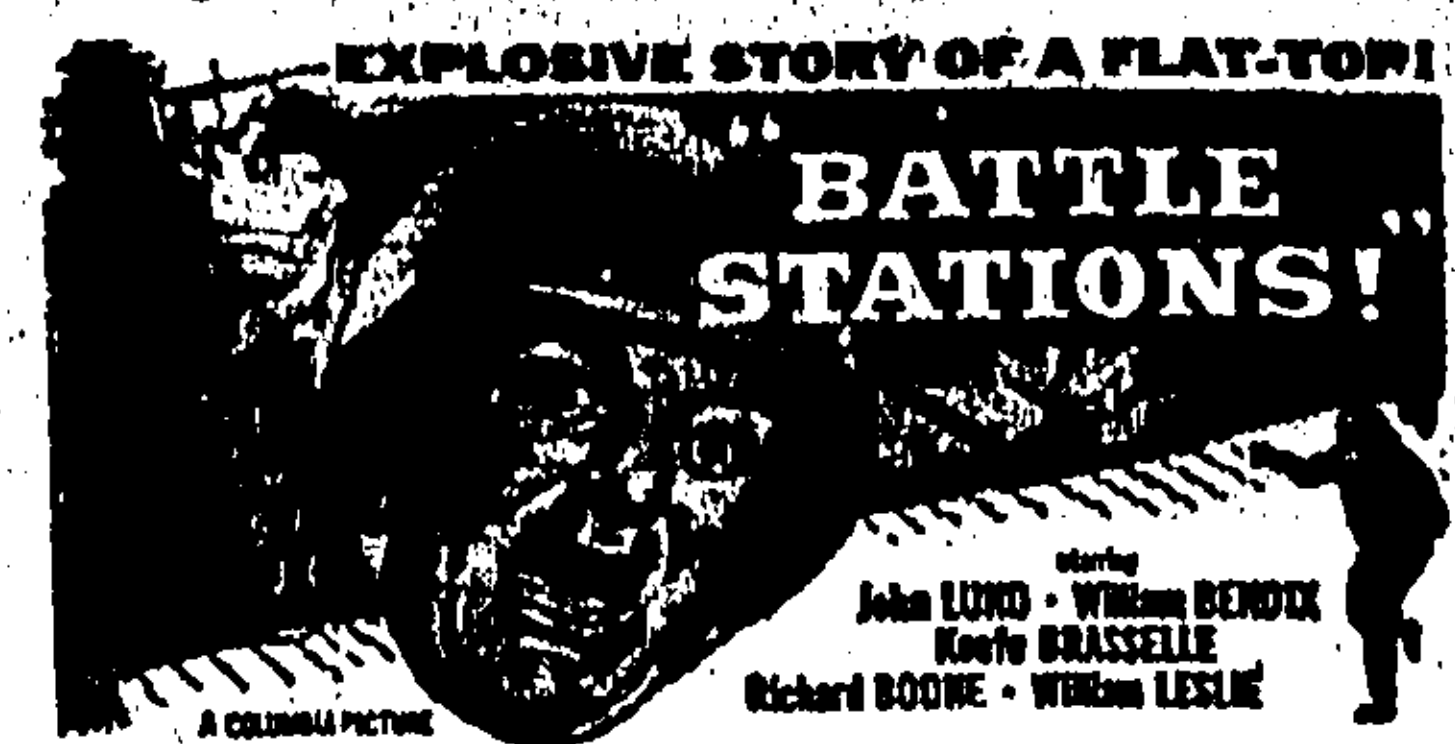
He said that the animal made a small hole through the embankment just before a hurricane struck the area. Water poured through the hole, causing serious erosion until the gap was 120 feet wide.—China Mail Special.

The Balloon Blew Up With A BANG

Potters, May 20. A child's balloon exploding inside a car blew out the car's four doors and injured the three-year-old owner of the balloon and her mother. Police impounded the car from which the balloon had been fished at a local fair.—China Mail Special.

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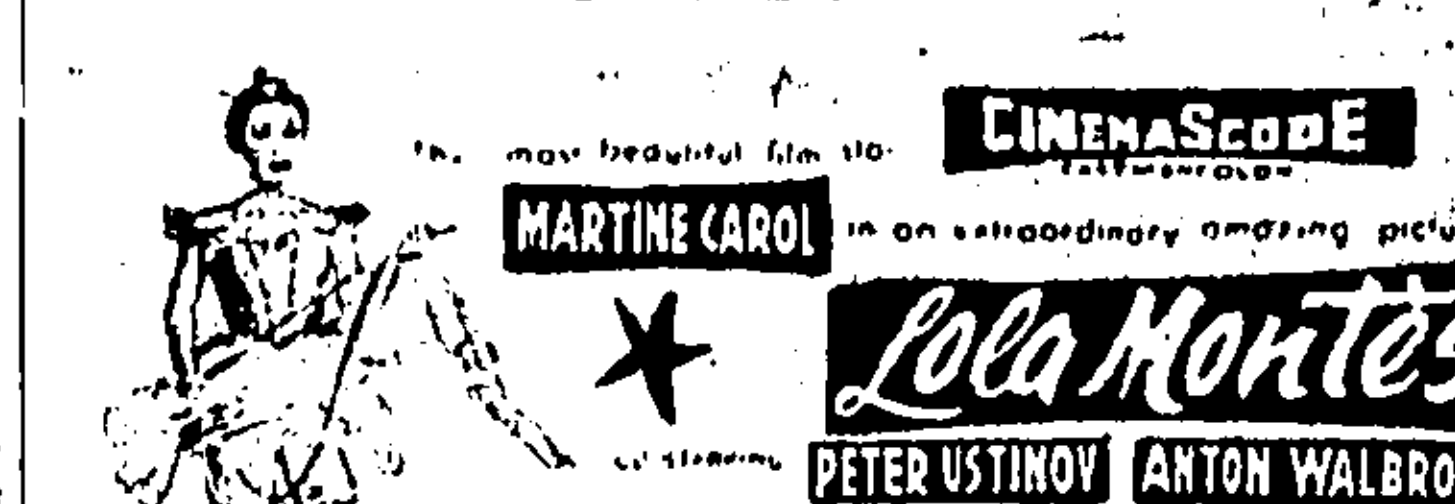
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Plymouth, May 20.
A newspaper photographer lost two scoop pictures here—but became a hero in the process.
Reg Lewis, aged 43, of the mass-circulation London Daily Mirror, saw four-year-old Bobby Syme fall off a jetty into 15 feet of water.
He took a rapid scoop photograph of the boy struggling in the water, then dropped his camera, dived in and rescued him.
As he brought the child safely ashore an enthusiastic onlooker took a photograph of Lewis's rescue act—but the picture was on the same plate—China Mail Special.

Should A Psychiatrist Tell Secrets?

Chicago, May 20.
Psychiatrists are divided on the question of whether they should keep all of their patients' secrets.

Most psychiatrists who replied to a questionnaire said that they would not remain silent if the secrets concerned murder, sabotage or indications of suicide. But more than half said that they were not obliged ethically to go to the police if a patient admitted he was an embezzler.

The results of the questionnaire were reported at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatric Association here.

ABOUT EQUAL

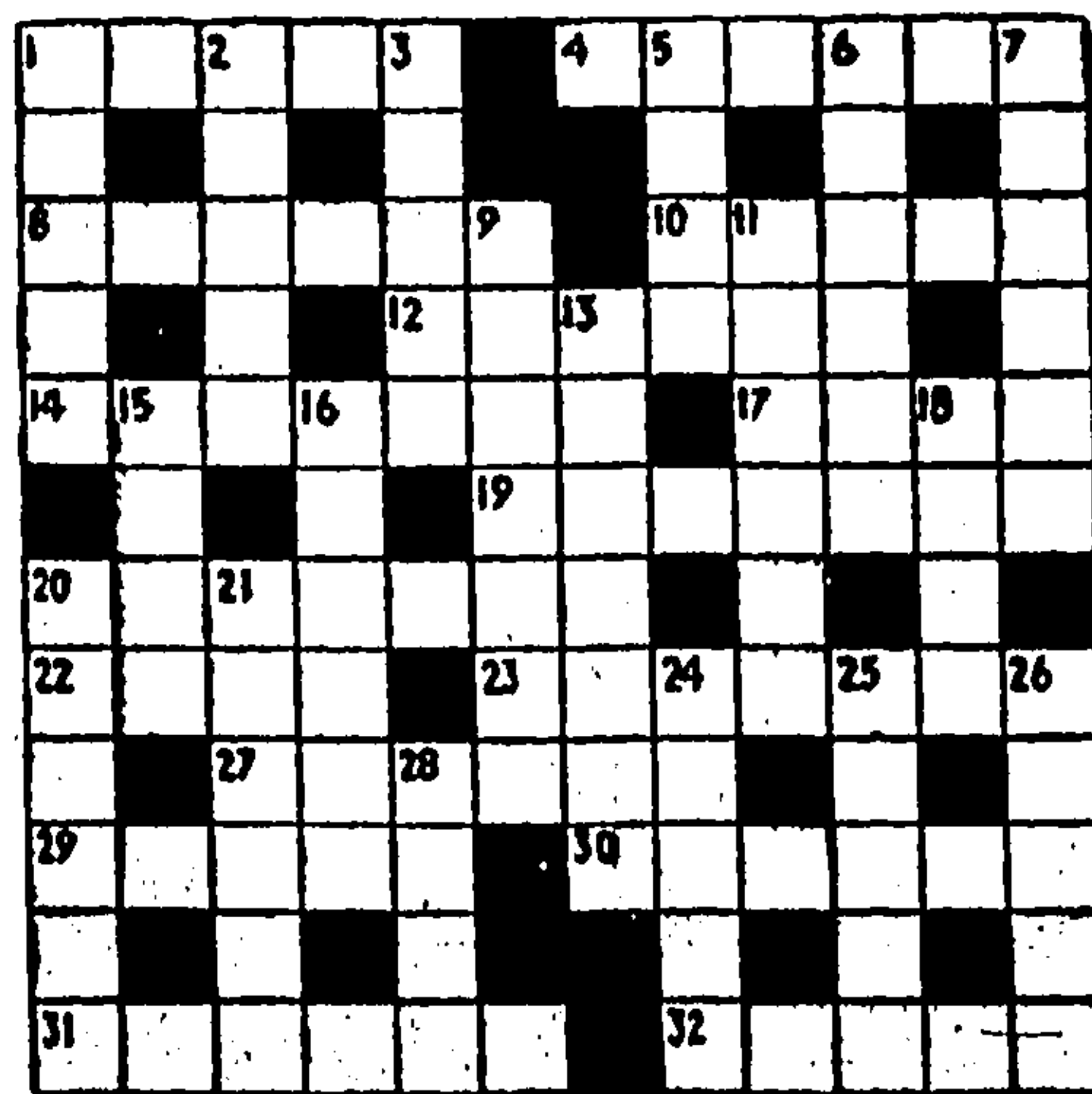
The psychiatrists who said that they would not remain silent about the crimes of their patients were divided about equally as to whether they would report their knowledge to the police or to local medical associations.

The study, made among Philadelphia psychiatrists, noted that the difficulty facing them was increased by the fact that some states had laws laying down that a psychiatrist was liable to legal action for breaches of confidence.—China Mail Special.

HELICOPTER RECORDS

Moscow, May 20.
The International Aeronautical Federation has ratified world records set up by Soviet pilots in a "Yak-24" helicopter, reports the Soviet News Agency.
Carrying a load of two tons the aircraft reached an altitude of 5,082 metres (16,690 feet) and carrying four tons it exceeded the 2,000 metres (16,660 feet).—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Reclined (5).
2. Condiment sets (6).
3. Vegetable (6).
4. Get-up (5).
5. Drive (6).
14. Article of furniture (7).
17. Thaw (4).
19. Counsellor (7).
20. Full (7).
22. Mineral salt (4).
23. Rubbing out (7).
27. Think over (6).
29. Glimmer (5).
30. Give (5).
31. Want eagerly (6).
32. Ward off (5).

DOWN

1. Clear (5).
2. Margin (5).
3. Late fall (5).
4. Harvest (4).
5. Banishes (6).
7. Confectionery (8).
9. Negotiated (7).
11. Negligent (6).
13. Commanded (7).
15. Stagger (4).
16. Fish (6).
17. Spire (4).
20. Lifted (6).
21. Scholar (6).
24. Scent (5).
25. Foolish (5).
26. Visitor (5).
28. Nigh (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Coolie, 4. Droop, 7. Agitate, 8. Exude, 9. Serene, 11. Attract, 13. Respite, 15. Modest, 16. Valet, 19. Enliven, 20. Toss, 21. Sultry. Down: 1. Crave, 2. Lique, 3. Entreat, 4. Desert, 5. Obdurate, 6. Patent, 10. Respite, 12. Tempt, 14. Revolt, 14. Thirst, 16. Devil, 17. Tasty.

MILLIONS OF ADDICTS DESPITE INCREASED CONTROL

Geneva, May 20.

Narcotic smuggling is still a "sombre" problem and there are still "many millions" of drug addicts in the world after years of increasingly strict and successful international control.

That was the pessimistic conclusion of the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs, which ended its four-week 11th annual session here last Friday.

Nevertheless, members of the 16-country commission said in their concluding speeches, there are "rays of hope" and this session achieved a good deal in its annual effort to improve the situation.

Some Highlights

The last week of the session was devoted largely to amending and adopting the commission's bulky report to the Economic and Social Council on what it had done during the first three weeks.

Here are some of its highlights:
★ 1. Opium is still the world's major drug problem, but its derivatives, morphine and heroin, are showing "disturbing" increases. New synthetic drugs are also beginning to produce addicts, and the commission recommended stronger measures for keeping them under control, although there was still a sharp division of opinion as to whether that control should include any prohibition.

"Wake-up" drugs such as benzodrine and other amphetamines which are often used by students at examination time present a growing danger. The commission decided it was not yet necessary to put them under international control but recommended stricter national controls.

Traditional Regions

★ 2. The major sources of illicit drug traffic in the world continue to be the traditional regions of the Far East and Near East. The commission paid special attention to a "sombre" picture of heavy smuggling traffic through Thailand and to traffic through and from the Lebanon. Both situations will be reviewed again next year, with the two countries' neighbours also invited to send expert observers to the picture can be more complete.

★ 3. China is still the great unknown. Formosa and the United States repeated and expanded earlier charges that there is a heavy flow of illicit opium from mainland China, while the USSR and Poland again insisted that the cultivation of opium is illegal there.

Several countries also objected strongly to any attempt to discuss this situation in the absence of a Peking representative, and no definite conclusions were reached.

★ 4. Latin America is lagging behind other continents in co-operating with international drug control measures. The commission urged a list of 17 Latin-American countries to get on with ratifying the 1948 drug-control convention which they signed, and reminded three—Nicaragua, Paraguay and Uruguay—that they had not yet sent in annual reports as required by conventions to which they are parties, for as far back as 1952.

Coca Leaf

Coca leaf, South America's big problem, is still not under enough control. The commission heard a belated report from Peru on its programme to bring coca leaf and cocaine under control and decided to invite both Peru and several of its neighbours to go into it again next year.

★ 5. Iran, which took the "bold action" of burning opium altogether last October after many years as one of the world's great danger areas, was recommended for a major programme of international technical assistance to help put it into full effect.

★ 6. Afghanistan won a round for its two-year effort to be recognised as an opium-exporting country but not without considerable opposition and many misgivings. The commission also asked Afghanistan to produce the statistics and annual reports it has failed to provide, to become a party to the 1925 opium convention it has so far overlooked, and decided to review this situation too again next year.

1957 Meeting

★ 7. The proposed "single convention" to unify all the half dozen existing drug-control treaties, under study for more than five years already, went into a nearly-final second draft after several days of technical discussion here, but will not be completed before next year's session.

The commission decided to hold its 12th meeting in 1957 in New York.—United Press.

Buenos Aires, May 20.

The Argentine Central Bank has announced that exchange permits will be automatically approved for the import of ammonium bicarbonate and liquid ammonia and its salt from the sterling area. Continental Europe (excluding Spain, Portugal, Turkey and Greece) neighbouring countries, Japan and Israel.—China Mail Special.

Germans Find A Use For Mud

Bremen, May 20.

West Germany has found a use for some of the mud and slime dredged from its rivers, canals and harbours. Instead of being dumped in the sea it is now pumped on to low-lying sandy land as fertiliser.

Tests over many years in Lower Saxony and Schleswig-Holstein have shown that the addition of dredged mud to sandy soils can increase crop yields by up to 70 per cent.

In a large-scale project recently started in Schleswig-Holstein a low-lying stretch of land at Kudenese with an area of about 5,000 acres is to be "plastered" with mud within ten years. The cost of producing this new fertile area will be about £1,700,000.

LARGE BASIN

Dredgers will unload the mud into a large basin now being constructed at the mouth of the Elbe river. From there it will be pumped through a pipe seven and a half miles long on to the low-lying land. It will reach a depth of from one foot to six feet and six inches.

The project will not only provide new farming land, but will also enable twelve pumping stations, now needed to keep the low-lying land clear of water, to be closed.—China Mail Special.

Died Under TV Set

Legnano, May 20.

Two-year-old Andrea Pensotti was killed at his home here when he pulled a heavy television set from a table and was crushed beneath it.—China Mail Special.

World Moving Towards True Universality

New York, May 20.

The idea of world organisation is far more firmly established than it ever was in the years of the League of Nations, Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, United Nations Secretary-General, said today.

"The mere fact that the United Nations, unlike the League, has never lost a member state and now, with 76 members, seems to be moving inexorably toward true universality, speaks for this," he added.

He was speaking at New York University at the unveiling of a bust and tablet for Woodrow Wilson, former President of the United States, who first gave expression to the League of Nations idea on May 17, 1916.

Expressed Purpose

Despite the advance in the idea of world organisation, said Mr Hammarskjöld, "we are still seeking ways to make our international institutions fulfil more effectively the fundamental purpose expressed in Woodrow Wilson's words—to be the eye of the nations to keep watch upon the common interest."

"I have no doubt that forty years from now we shall also be engaged in the same pursuit," the Secretary-General said.

Common Interest

He said true collective security for the world was to be found at the end, not at the beginning, of the effort to create and use world institutions which were "universal" in the service of the common interest.

Marshall To See Indian Premier

London, May 21.

Mr David Marshall, Singapore's Chief Minister, was leaving here by air today for talks in New Delhi with Mr Jawaharlal Nehru, India's Prime Minister.

They will discuss the Anglo-Singapore conference on independence for the island Crown colony which failed here on Tuesday, usually well informed sources said.

Breaking Journey

Mr Nehru is coming to London in late June for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference.

Mr Marshall is expected to stay in the Indian capital for about two days before continuing his air journey to Singapore.

He announced last night that he was breaking his journey at New Delhi at the invitation of the Indian Government and was "looking forward to meeting once again India's great leader."

The Socialist Chief Minister led a Singapore all-party delegation of 13 to the month-long private negotiations with the colonial office.

The conference collapsed mainly because Britain insisted that she must have the final say in the maintenance of law and order on the island once Singapore got internal self-government.

Going Direct

Mr Lim Yew Hock, Singapore's Minister for Labour and Welfare, was leaving here by air direct for Singapore later today.—Reuters.

Services Pay Rises Got Results

London May 20.

Official figures to be issued this week on recruitment for the armed forces will show how far Britain is succeeding in her aim to abolish peacetime conscription by 1958.

The Government on Friday took a modest step toward this end by announcing that it would no longer conscript men in the low medical category of grade three. Such men have been drafted in postwar times only since the Korean War.

The Government disavows peacetime conscription as wasteful and unpopular, particularly when the maximum industrial manpower is now needed to boost exports.

Many military experts equally dislike it because, they argue, men are no sooner trained to the point of real value than they are due for release.

LONG-TERM BASIS

But the authorities cannot abandon conscription until the regular forces have been built up on a long-term basis. This is what the Government last February to announce big services pay increases, particularly to men prepared to sign on for long-term engagements.

The pay rises produced impressive results in some branches.

The Royal Air Force reported that the number of men signing up to extend their service up to 12 years had trebled. But a Government statement last week warned it was too early to draw long-term deductions.—China Mail Special.

ARMS DEAL —A MISTAKE

Cairo, May 20.

The Polish Embassy in Cairo denied a report broadcast by Cairo radio today, stating that an agreement for the delivery of arms by Poland to Egypt had been signed earlier today.

An Embassy spokesman said that several agreements had lately been negotiated with Egypt but none of them concerned arms delivery.

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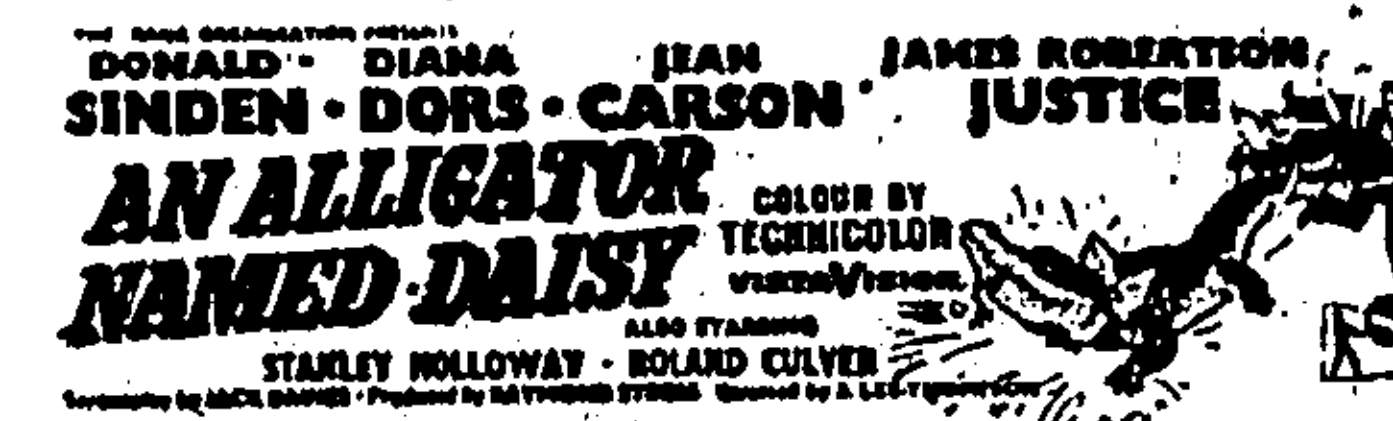
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VAST SOURCES OF OIL KEPT SECRET

By Eric Bourne

Stalin, Bulgaria Later a pipeline is to be laid right down to Stalin. Drilling, pumping and transporting, goes on in shifts all round the clock. Newly-laid roads were alive through the day and far into the night with new Austrian-made six-ton tankers. Each had its trailer of three or five tons capacity. They were carrying the oil to the Bulgarian refinery at Ruse, 120 miles to the west on the Danube, and to Soviet sea-going tankers in Stalin harbour.

The area concerned is the Southern Dobruja, ceded on Hitler's borders to Bulgaria by Rumania in 1940. Work has been going on for the past three years under conditions of the strictest secrecy.

Western diplomats in Sofia have frequently sought—and always been refused—permission to visit the 3,000 square miles tightly sealed forbidden zone north of Stalin.

Stalin (the port next door to the prewar millionaire summer playground of Varna) has so far kept the name despite the deification of the former Soviet dictator.

The area is so closely guarded that even when I showed my permit from the central government in Sofia for a tour of the whole oil area, armed guards made me and my Bulgarian escort await another security check-up.

First Let In

I was, in fact, the first Westerner admitted into the Dobruja since the war.

The first oilfield lies along the coast north of the busy little port of Balchik, the main town of the area. Oil is converting nearby Kovarna, a dusty, smelly peasant village, into a miniature Mid-Western "boom town."

Between here and Shabla, further north, only 50 yards from where white foaming breakers tumbled over the rocky shore, I watched the thick black crude oil being pumped from a dozen derricks into two pipe-linked central reservoirs.

Russia supplied the derricks and drilling machinery — on strict hard cash terms. I was told, because the Bulgarians refused Soviet terms for a joint company when the first oil strikes were made some years ago.

Russia's Interest

Now Russia is said to be showing more interest. Why? Because prospecting is revealing steadily increasing deposits of oil—much of it less than 2,000 yards below the surface, which makes extraction reasonably cheap and easy.

Officials refuse to disclose production figures, but it is believed to average 700 tons daily from the one small field already in regular production.

Two more fields it is expected will be working before the year is out.

This production in itself is a drop in the ocean of world oil output, but according to experts the importance of the find is that geologists — Russians included—are now convinced the deposits are a continuation of the vast resources in Rumania, and there is little doubt that they stretch in a widening seam far out into the Black Sea.

Bulgaria alone could never tackle the costly operation of getting the oil up from below the sea bed, as done, for example, in the Gulf of Mexico.

But Russia, it is believed, will step in with an offer of large-scale help immediately the final surveys are completed later this year.



Ava Gardner... lady of Spain.

Life with Ava

AT THE WITCH'S HOUSE

AN antiquated rattling taxi took me out of Madrid through some of the less salubrious suburbs into the open country beyond. After about 15 minutes' driving on the bumpy, dusty road I was at the Witch's House.

By LOGAN GOURLAY

Gardner has bought herself. No one could call it a castle in Spain except in the most figurative sense. It does not bring beauty to the sparse, undulating Spanish landscape.

At first glance it looks from the outside like a new public convenience built by opulent municipality.

I found the front door—the witch on the roof was pointing roughly in that direction—and was ushered in by a maid. She installed me in the lounge and left me to wait. The mistress was washing her hair. (Why are women, particularly actresses, always washing their hair?)

While I waited I was regarded suspiciously by a small gentleman carved in wood who sat by the fireplace, looking like a cross between Frank Sinatra and an Indian fair—probably a souvenir of Miss Gardner's film "How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

A male servant crossing the hall passed the lounge door carrying a tray with a bottle of whisky.

It's damp and the chimney smokes—but it's better than Hollywood, she says

Then Miss Gardner appeared in a vibrant dress with her wet hair wrapped in a scarf, carrying a glass of Coen-Coia. I wondered if she had been using the whisky as a shampoo. She apologised for the delay—"Had to do something about my hair. It was a mess. Still is."

(Why do women, particularly actresses, always say their hair is a mess after spending time on it?)

"I'll have to drive into town to get it dried."

"I have a hair-dryer here but you can't depend on the electricity in this house."

Imperfections

SHE launched into a list of the imperfections of the Witch's House which cost her about £17,000.

It was now when she moved in a few months ago, but it had been built to somebody else's specifications. Then they decided

roundabout with flamenco parties to 7 a.m. and breakfast at 5 p.m.

"Don't believe all you hear about me."

"Of course I've just been to the festival at Seville. It was no rest cure. Some nights I didn't get to bed at all."

"Sure I like having fun. And I'm mad about flamenco parties. But I don't live it up all the time. There are other things."

"Like acting and work."

"As you say—I have to start another film soon. It might be an adaptation of 'The Little Hut.' But I'm not too keen. The woman's part isn't going to be very big."

No details

SHE denied, as I had been informed, that her salary from M.G.M. who have her under contract, is about \$700 a week for more than 40 weeks of the year whether she works or not. But she did not volunteer exact details.

Nor did she wax loquacious on the subject of Frank Sinatra, who is currently in Madrid filming "The Pride and the Passion."

"We haven't met yet. He can't phone here, of course."

"He's doing very well for himself. Sounds like a good movie he's making."

"No, we are not officially divorced yet."

(She established residence in Nevada, quick-divorce state, but left without picking up the final papers.)

She stood up suddenly and said: "Look, I'll have to go now. I'll drive you back to town. I really must get my hair fixed. And I want to take Cara to the kennels. I'll have to leave her for a week or so. I hate separating her from Rags."

Cara and Rags are her pet dogs. They are happily married.

We dragged Cara through the hall, which is lined with book and record shelves. Prominently displayed are two albums of Sinatra records labelled "Frankly Sentimental," beneath, a volume of Proust's "Remembrance of Things Past."

Vivacious

HER sleek grey Cadillac, a present from Sinatra, glistened over the bumps on the road back to Madrid. Cara whimpered in the back seat. Her mistress cooed, "You'll be all right, honey. It won't be so bad. Believe me, you'll get used to it."

Road workers welcomed an excuse to down tools, wave and shout Spanish compliments about the beauty behind the wheel.

At 33, Miss Gardner can still look uncommonly beautiful. The flamenco parties and carousing have left no trace so far.

And she can still look vivaciously happy at times. As though she hasn't a care in the world. As though she had never experienced any emotional or marital problems. As though the lonely Witch's House with the damp walls and the cracking furniture was a glittering golden palace.

Of course, Miss Gardner knows something about getting now.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO "THE ISLE OF THE LOG"

By Allan Carney

ON June 9 the Royal yacht Britannia will anchor in Swedish waters, having carried Britain's Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh across the North Sea on a visit to the Land of the Midnight Sun.

Awaiting Elizabeth II and Prince Philip will be the King of Sweden and his consort Queen Louise, who is the Duke of Edinburgh's aunt. A picturesque royal barge, the Vasorden, manned by a score of lusty Swedes, will bear Queen Elizabeth and the Duke from the stately yacht Britannia to the landing-stage of their host's royal palace.

What sort of city is Stockholm? It is a bright, clear city in which the old and the new stand in contrast. It was founded in the middle of the thirteenth century by one Birger Jarl and was originally a kind of fortress, located on the island of Stadholm. Its name means "The Isle of the Log," and in olden times it withstood several sieges—the most memorable in 1501 when it was defended against the Swedes by Queen Christina of Denmark.

Stockholm is renowned for its beauty. The coast thereabouts is dotted with a myriad islands, and the

approach is by a channel called the Seltjo, the open sea being nearly 40 miles distant. The city stands at the junction of a great lake, the Malar, and is sited on both shores and on the intervening islands. It has become known, accordingly, as "The Venice of the North."

THE OLD TOWN

THE old town, Gamla Staden, contains the royal palace. Built on an eminence, the palace dates from the mid-eighteenth century, the original building having been destroyed by fire in 1697. Besides the royal apartments, it contains a picture gallery, collections of coins, antiquities, and a library in which, by decree, a copy of every book printed in Sweden had to be deposited.

West of the palace are the offices housing the government ministries, and to the southwest is the Storkyrka, dedicated to St Nicholas—Stockholm's oldest church, founded in 1264 but almost entirely rebuilt during the period 1726-1743.

In this church, which is richly adorned with paintings and exquisite wood carvings, Britain's Queen

will attend divine service on the morning of June 10, a date which coincides with the Duke of Edinburgh's 35th birthday.

Gamla Staden is the commercial heart of Stockholm, and its antiquity is evident to the eye from the confined, tortuous streets the narrow-fronted, gabled houses that are still to be found there, though most of the buildings are not very old. Frequent fires in earlier days destroyed many of the originals.

Bridges connect Staden with Norrmalm, which is the finest quarter of Stockholm, with broad straight streets, handsome buildings, open spaces and gardens. Here are located the palace of the Crown Prince, the Theatre Royal and the Royal Opera House.

LONG FRIENDSHIP

ANOTHER interest of the Royal couple from Britain—and one shared by both of them—is horsemanship, however, and during the remainder of their stay they will have plenty of opportunity of enjoying the spectacle of the world's best riders competing against one another, for the Equestrian Olympic Games will be taking place in Stockholm.

The Swedes and men of British stock began a long and friendly association in the sixteenth century, when thousands of Scottish soldiers of fortune, and a number of Englishmen too, left their native lands to enlist under the banner of Sweden's warrior monarch, Gustavus Adolphus, and fight in his Continental campaigns, figuring prominently in his victories.

The visit of Britain's attractive young Queen and her handsome husband will add one more memorable occasion to the story of that long friendship, forged in long-ago battles, continued in times of peace.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



"...and so the Sultan defeated all his enemies and lived happily ever after—thinks, 'Thanks to good old Standard Oil.'"

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This Funny World



"If you had to pay today's taxes you'd wipe that smile off your silly old puss!"

• BY THE WAY •

by Beachcomber

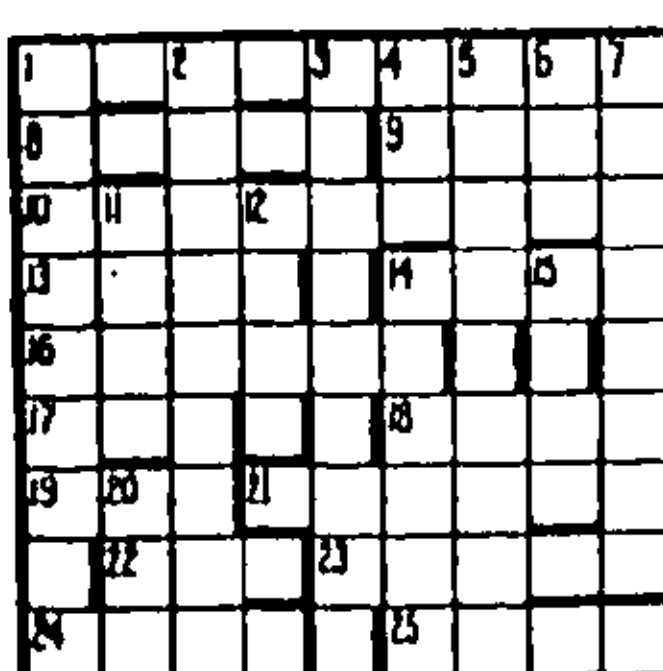
I GATHER that if you stumble across a stranded whale on the seashore, you must ring up the Port of London Authority.

If the whale is too ill to be moved, it will be made comfortable on the spot. The sooner Eskimos understand this the better. I knew a man who presented a young whale to an aquarium. It grew so large that it burst the walls and protruded into the street, which shows that if you catch a small whale you should throw it back into the sea. Splash. Farewell, Ocean Queen II.

The Round Pond tunnel

SIR ERNEST JOPLING, who planned the tunnel under the Serpentine which was never begun, said yesterday: "The hesitation to start work on the Round Pond tunnel is due less to technical difficulties than to opposition from those who question the value of such an undertaking. There is no doubt that it would be easier to walk round the Pond, as is done at present, and when the novelty of the tunnel had worn off, people might cease to use it. Yet, if one always took this defeatist attitude to public works and improvements, nothing would ever get done."

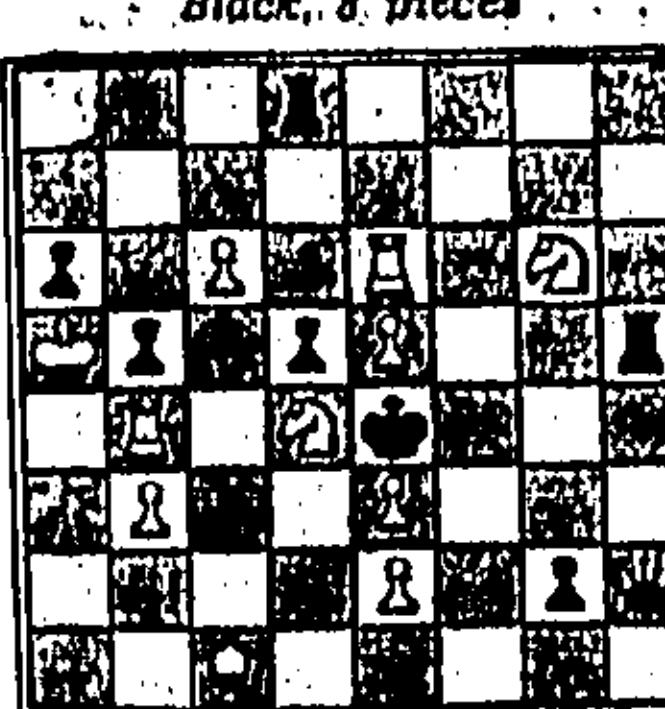
CROSSWORD



- Across
1. Riot traps, (anag.) (9)
 2. About lunch time if you still making reputation (5)
 3. This makes a rattling good road. (4)
 4. He has much in common with a seafarer. (6)
 5. Pop legend (4)
 6. Poorly Dubertin stage-fellow (4)
 7. River of 21 Acres. (3)
 8. Best almost but not quite as a rule. (4)
 9. Poisons (3)
 10. Jolly one lived by the 17 Acres (6)
 11. Unmask its last half. (5)
 12. Boats, but altered. (5)
 13. Family branch-bearer. (4)
 14. Part returns. (4)
- Down
1. Eaten's joy, or orgy's sorrow (4, 3)
 2. It's taught to children—of a way of living. (4-6)
 3. There's no great weight in this way of speaking. (9)
 4. Petrol can be regarded as the spirit of the (4)
 5. How not in a recognized army, this fighter. (9)
 6. How for a wide boy? (3)
 7. They have ambition (4)
 8. This and ASSURANCE colour many for you have that sort of genius which makes it possible for you to achieve what at first may appear to be impossible. You grasp at something and never let go until you have gained your full goal. It may take a lifetime but with you, that is perfectly all right. However your individuality and you will win out. (10)
 9. Your life appears to run in alternating cycles of good and ill fortune. Learn to stand patiently and wait during the bad periods and be ready to spring into action at just the right moment. It is probable that each March 26 will mark an important stage of development in your life. At the ages of 16, 26 and 36, it is possible that sensational events will touch you and turn your life into an entirely new and different channel. (10)
 10. Saturday's solution

CHess PROBLEM

By H. and P. LE GRAND
Black, 8 pieces



White, 11 pieces.
White to play: mate in three.
Solution to Saturday's problem:
1. Q-Q4, any; 2. Q-Q, or R-mates.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Bidding Cues Sharp Players

By OSWALD JACOBY

SOUTH had no trouble making his slam against the diamond opening lead. He took the first trick with the ace of diamonds, drew trumps, and knocked out the ace of clubs.

East returned a diamond, and dummy played with the last trump of the North hand. Declarer cashed the queen and jack of clubs, ruffed a club, and got back to dummy with the ace of spades to run the remaining clubs. This provided 12 tricks.

This plan was lost rather than won. West lost it by his opening lead. The bidding should have steered him to the "killing" opening lead.

I have a quarrel with the double of three diamonds, although I consider it rather pointless. The double gave North the chance to show his control by a bid of four diamonds. In this situation, a player should sit tight or redouble if he had

NORTH (D) 21			
▲ A J 7	♥ A K 9	♦ A K	♣ K Q J 9 8
WEST			
▲ 10 8	♥ J 10 8	♦ K Q 10 8 7 3	♣ 8 3
EAST			
▲ K 5 4 2	♥ 5 2	♦ A 10 4 2	♣ 9 8 3
SOUTH			
♥ Q 9 3	♦ Q 7 5 4 2	♣ A J 6 4	♠ 5
Both sides vul.			
North	East	South	West
1. Pass	1. Pass	1. Pass	1. Pass
2. Pass	2. Pass	2. Pass	2. Pass
3. Pass	3. Pass	3. Pass	3. Pass
4. Pass	4. Pass	4. Pass	4. Pass
5. Pass	5. Pass	5. Pass	5. Pass
Opening lead—♦ K			

support for diamonds, and he would bid four diamonds with the ace or void.

West therefore knew that one of his opponents had no diamonds and that the other opponent had the ace. Close attention to the bidding would tell West which opponent was which, but this wasn't necessary. It was enough to know that no diamond tricks were available.

Dummy's bidding suggested a powerful club suit and magnificent support for hearts. Hence it was clear from the bidding that the defenders would need fast tricks in spades and diamonds. If West knew that diamonds were hopeless, he would be forced to open a spade. What does South do against an opening spade lead? He must try the spade finesse, and he does.

It pays to listen to the bidding and think hard before you make your opening lead.

♥ CARD SENSE ♥

Q.—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 Heart 2 Clubs 2 Diamonds Pass
You, South, hold:
▲ K 7 ♠ A Q J 9 4 3 ♦ 8 5 2 ♣ A 4 5
What do you do?

A.—Bid two hearts. You expect to get to game in hearts, but a jump rebid at this stage might give North slim ambitions that you cannot encourage.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
▲ K 7 ♠ A Q J 9 4 3 ♦ 8 5 2 ♣ A 4 5
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

MONDAY, MAY 21

BORN today, you have ambitions as you have a sense of humor. You are a person of great energy and you will achieve what you set your mind to. You are a person of great energy and you will achieve what you set your mind to. You are a person of great energy and you will achieve what you set your mind to.

Your life appears to run in alternating cycles of good and ill fortune. Learn to stand patiently and wait during the bad periods and be ready to spring into action at just the right moment. It is probable that each March 26 will mark an important stage of development in your life.

TUESDAY, MAY 22

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—You can make important gains on the job this morning if you get an early start.

CANCER (June 22-July 21)—Take care of your health. This is the time of the year when you are taking risks, too. Stick to routine.

LEO (July 22-Aug. 21)—This is not the day to take a chance or to use snap judgment. Think decisions over carefully.

VIRGO (Aug. 22-Sept. 21)—If you can't say something good to a friend today, too, impulse is definitely critical of others.

LIBRA (Sept. 22-Oct. 21)—Moderation in all things is your best policy today. Too impulse is definitely out of order.

SCORPIO (Oct. 22-Nov. 21)—Complete, important projects this morning. Then sit down and let the work of the world go by.

WOMANSENSE

CLOTHES WITH DOWN-TO-EARTH NEWS VALUES

By BETTY WILSON



BEST-SELLERS in department stores and specialist shops throughout Great Britain sum up the average woman's reaction to fashion leads from the Paris and London haute couture collections.

British wholesale manufacturers, already hard at work on their new autumn collections, report that British women like their spring clothes to have news value—providing it is down-to-earth news value.

They like figure-fitting dresses with the higher waistline suggested rather than defined, and most conservatively, prefer models which offer an alternative live belt, so that they can decide at leisure whether they will wear their new dress belted or unbelted. Topcoats indicate a general approval of the straight silhouette, while redingotes are in the lead if a coat for afternoon wear is in question. Suits are softer, less "tailored", yet still tend to belong to that fitted category that we call "classic".

Two-pieces are much in demand, specially by the younger woman, who appreciates the time-saving represented by a dress which is decollete enough to be worn for dinner, yet can be covered up for office wear by a suitable non-revealing jacket.

POPULAR JERSEYS

A cross-section of these spring best-sellers (backed up, in each case, by hundreds of repeat orders which are coming in from stores throughout the United Kingdom, and, often, from Canada and the United States) indicate that women are buying suits made of batinares, two-toned tweeds or one of the ribbed wools such as wool ottoman; topcoats and three-quarter length jackets in pale colored or neutral colored wool cloths and dresses made of worsted, repps, wool ottoman, wool crepes and wool georgettes. All light-weight wools are popular, so, too, is jersey.

There has been such a demand for a Susan Small model made of crease, baby blue or baby pink wool jersey woven with a silver Lurex thread matched by the silver braid that edges the square, low neckline, that the manufacturers have been unable to get enough material to fill the orders. It is interesting to note that this best-seller has a belt and is pencil straight.

At Horrocks, a pillar box red jersey dress, with a little stand-up, white pique collar (like a Mienawer collar in miniature) and full skirt put on from the dropped waistline of a figure-fitting bodice, has been one of the best-sellers in Great Britain, and has made export records for sales in the United States as well.

BEIGE TONES

Another sales success from this firm is made of two different jerseys: one plain charcoal grey, the other striped with caramel and charcoal. This is a jumper suit and the stripes are used horizontally for the jumper top, while the plain fabric is used for a slim skirt and finger-tip length, boxy jacket.

Incidentally, although beige and stone colors have ousted grey as a favourite spring colour this season, charcoal grey is still high in the best-seller ranks.

Navy blue is also being chosen and Elizabeth Henry, one of the eleven wholesale firms belonging to the London Model House Group, reports that the fur-toned brown (trunk and saddle) are outstanding in repeat orders, as well as new greens, which include teal and olive.

These colours, in wool georgette, batinares and other fine worsteds, are favourites for dress and jacket teams. For these, the jacket is almost invariably built on classic lines, so that it merges into an office background, while the slender dress, which often has a long, figure-fitting bodice, and may or may not be finished with a belt, usually has a fairly de-

collete neckline and either short sleeves or no sleeves at all. A good example comes from the Susan Small collection. Here a best-selling two-piece is made of two-toned tweed—yellow and off-white, light sage green and white, and beige and white—and consists of a sleeveless, square-necked dress with the slender moulded look. This has a little cover-up cardigan jacket, that zips up the back.

Navy blue with a touch of white is foremost among spring best-sellers. A navy blue worsted dress with tiny, shoulder-capping sleeves (from the Marcusa collection) is scanned into a figure-fitting line. White pique edges the V-shaped neck. A matching jacket is plain, straight and cut on boxy lines.

Another best-seller in navy blue from the Marcusa range is made of wool crepe. This has tightly-fitting sleeves—length sleeves and a becoming bracket-shaped neckline. The slim silhouette is emphasized by a slanting fold brought up over one hip to be caught by a white pique bow.

SLENDER ELEGANCE

These slender dresses, which have only a suggestion of a drape or fold to break the slim line, possess an elegance which obviously appeals to women since they are high up on the list of best-sellers for spring.

From the Frederick Starke collection, women have chosen a very slender black wool crepe dress. Here shoulder straps take the place of sleeves. These cross over at the back, where they are caught by a white bow. This dress has two forms of "cover-up". One is based on the new caraco bolero, made with high round neck and fastening down the back with a double row of buttons. The other is a matching wool crepe stole, which is long and wide and built into reverses so that it looks like a coat in front.

One model which has brought in many repeat orders from British and Canadian stores is another elegantly slender dress, made in charcoal grey cloth with a very lovely smooth finish. This is a belted, button-through design, with two pockets to break the column-straight line. The sleeves are three-quarter length. The round collar is scooped out on the shoulders.

ACCIDENTS OFTEN CAUSED BY CARELESS MOTHERS

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

NONE of us would deliberately harm our young children. Oh, maybe we give them a whopping now and then when they deserve it, but we don't mean to injure them.

Yet, simple thoughtlessness or carelessness might result in a serious accident that easily could have been avoided. For instance, put out that cigarette while you're feeding or changing the baby. Unfortunately, some mothers keep right on smoking when performing these chores. As a result, many a tiny

tyke suffers an eye injury from hot ashes.

Get rid of any death traps which might be lying about in your basement, attic or garage. If you must keep that old trunk for storage, make sure that it's kept securely locked. And if you insist on keeping airtight packing crates or boxes, bore a few holes in them to let the air just in case.

Your telephone is a great convenience and during an emergency it may be a lifesaver. But think while you see it. Don't, for example, drop everything and rush to the phone the moment it

rings. Make sure the little toddler is not likely to get into any danger while you're talking.

By the same token, be considerate when making phone calls to another mother. Find out if she is busy taking care of junior before you start any long-winded conversation.

While we're speaking of telephones, we suggest you teach your youngster how to make an emergency call to the operator just in case something should happen to you.

If your children are playing outdoors, make sure they are not wearing loose clothing that could catch on trees or playground equipment and cause a nasty tumble. And keep their shoes in good repair, even though it's going to be quite a job.

As for the small fry in safety harnesses, don't forget that there may be two to three feet of play in the leash. While he may be perfectly safe standing beside you, he might easily dart into the path of danger in that three feet or so before the leash checks his plunge.

You've probably thought of all of these things before. But a few reminders never hurt.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Teddy Plans A Party

—The Shadows Help Him Select the Refreshments—

By MAX TRELL

TEDDY the Stuffed Bear, who was round and fat and had a black nose and a cheerful disposition, said: "I'm going to give a party."

Of course, this was a wonderful thing to give. There's hardly anyone who doesn't like a party.

"I'll invite all my friends," he told Knarf and Hanid, the shadows with the turned-about names.

"Who?" asked Knarf.

"He Sat On The Floor," said Teddy, who was sitting on the floor at the time with his fat legs stretched out for rather, stuck out) in front of him.

"Well, there's General Tin the Tin Soldier, and Mary Jane the Rag Doll, Gloria Goldlocks the China Doll, Hlawatha the Wooden Indian Boy, Mr. Punch and his wife Judy. I'm going to invite them all. You're invited, too, of course!" Teddy added.

"And what are you going to give everyone to eat at your party?" Knarf wanted to know.

"Oh, I've thought about that. I've got it all decided. I'm going to serve chocolate cake, lemonade, marmalades, nutmeg cookies and ice cream. I'm also going to serve lemonade, orangeade, marmalade, marmalades, nutmeg cookies and ice cream."

Something's Wrong

Knarf and Hanid, one after the other, started shaking their

heads. Teddy looked at them worriedly. "What's wrong?" he presently asked.

"Everything," said Hanid. "The things you're going to serve at your party won't be liked by anybody."

"Especially the pickles," said Knarf.

Teddy wanted to know why none of the friends he was going to invite to his party would like the things he was going to serve them to eat and to drink.

Tin And Lead

"Now take General Tin the Tin Soldier," began Hanid. "He never eats anything but tin and lead. Nothing else agrees with him. Besides, even if he liked

chocolate cake and ice cream and those other things he wouldn't eat them anyway."

"Why not?" said Teddy.

"Because he's got too fat. Then his uniform wouldn't fit him."

"Mary Jane the Rag Doll only eats rags," said Knarf.

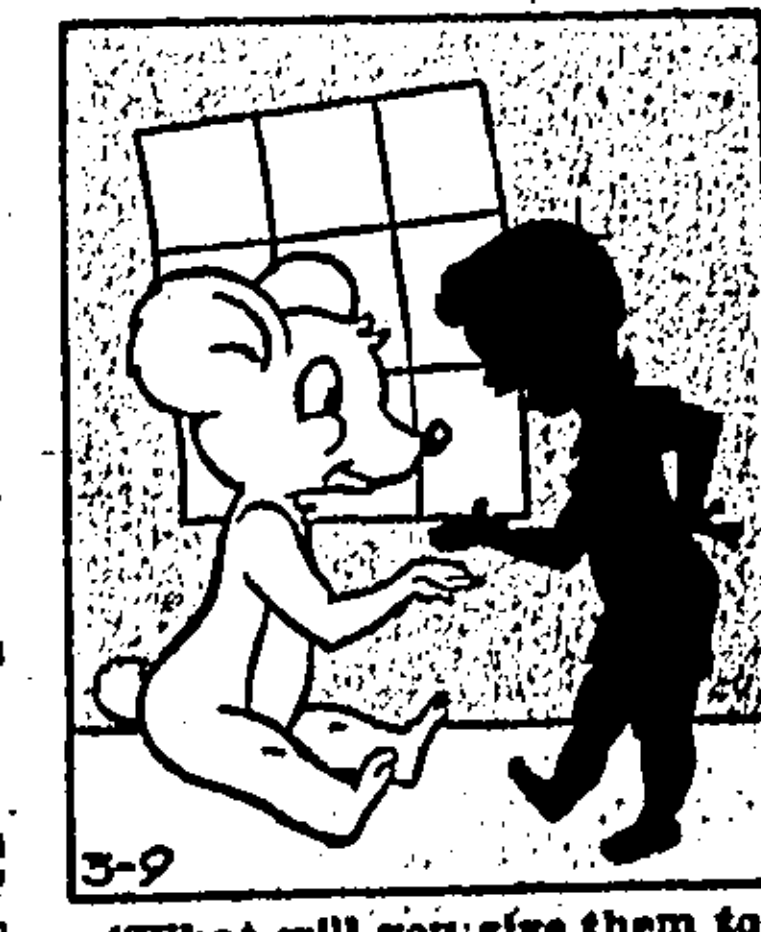
"Oh," said Teddy. "I never thought of that."

Hanid said: "Gloria Goldlocks the China Doll hates everything. She never eats. She's empty inside."

"Oh," said Teddy again. "Hlawatha the Wooden Indian Boy only eats wood," said Knarf. Mr. Punch and his wife Judy also eat wood."

A Piece Of Ribbon

"And now and then a piece of ribbon," Hanid put in. "Jerry Quackson the Rubber Duck eats



"What will you give them to eat?" Knarf asked Teddy.

rubber bands. And just look at yourself, Teddy. Do you like chocolate cake, walnut cookies, ice cream—

"No, I don't," said Teddy.

"Or lemonade, marmalade, gumdrops and pickles?" "Oh, no, oh no!" said Teddy. "You only like one thing, don't you Teddy?"

"Yes," said Teddy. "Sawdust. Just sawdust."

Teddy gave his party just the same. But he didn't serve his friends chocolate cake and those other things. He served them tin cookies, rag pudding, wooden gumdrops, ribbon-and-lace cake, wooden pickles and a big bowl of fresh sawdust for himself.

Knarf and Hanid each had a cream puff made out of real cake, real cream and real puff.

Everyone who went to the party had a wonderful time. Why not? They got just what they wanted.

SIMPLE CURRY DISHES

CHICKEN Curry is an appetizing dish well worth trying. To serve 4, have 2 lb. ready-to-cook chicken (whole chicken or legs and wings). Wash chicken and cut in serving pieces if whole bird is used. Wipe dry and set aside.

Heat ¼ c. shortening in a heavy 9-in. skillet. Add ¼ c. chopped onion and one sliced garlic clove; cook until onions are limp. Remove onions and garlic from fat with perforated spoon and save to use later.

Blend 2 tbs. curry powder into hot fat and cook over low heat 2 to 3 min.

Add chicken, fry on all sides 10-12 min. Add 2 c. coconut milk and the cooked onions and garlic.

(To prepare coconut milk, heat to boiling point 2 c. grated fresh coconut with 2 c. water. Cool. Strain through cheesecloth, squeezing out the milk. Stir in 2 c. water. Simmer gently, uncovered, until gravy begins to thicken, and chicken is tender—about 25 minutes.)

Sir in 1½ tbs. salt. Add tbs. fresh lemon juice just before serving. Serve with cooked rice.

Curry of meat is an excellent adaptation of a stock recipe as served in India.

To serve 6-8, heat 2 tbs. butter and 2 tbs. finely minced onion and rind of 1 lime, chopped. Add 2 tbs. grated fresh coconut, pinch garam masala, 2 small cubes green ginger root and tbs. curry powder.

Allow these to cook very gently for 10 to 15 min., then add 1 qt. stock and 2 lb. meat, using, if possible, lamb stock for lamb curry, chicken stock for chicken curry, etc. Simmer covered, about 1 hr. or until meat is tender.

A little flour moistened with stock or water may be added for thickening, if desired, although this is not necessary. The main thing is to simmer very, very slowly to bring out the full flavours.

Serve with hot boiled rice.

—ALICE DINWIDDIE

THE REST 3. EASTERN 1

THE REST WERE CHAMPION BUT THE CHAMPIONS WERE VERY, VERY ORDINARY

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

But for a magnificent display of goalkeeping by Yong Pui-dor it would have been necessary to collect the scoreboard from Chater Road to keep tally of the Rest's net finding. The single digit board at Caroline Hill would surely have proved inadequate.

During the season it was a common sight when Eastern were in action to see their big name defenders remonstrating with goalkeeper Yong whenever a goal was scored against them. More often than not he was the least of the lot to blame, but somehow he seemed to be the one who had to shoulder the responsibility.

Towards the end of the season, however, when Eastern were struggling desperately to stay the distance it was Yong who carried them through. Several scintillating displays proved that he had the ability and the temperament to equal anyone in the side and he put the seal on his work on Saturday night when, almost single-handed, he stood between the brilliant Rest forwards and a cricket score.

This end-of-the-season show game exposed just how slender were Eastern's resources and how vulnerable they were to injury. Long before the dust they were reduced to tattered rags.

Ko Po-keung, in spite of his efforts to put a brave face on things, had a badly swollen right leg to say nothing of a pair of lungs that were often gasping for just a little more air.

Kwok Yung-lok was another one who betrayed all the tortures of a painful knee. Hau Chung-to suffered a second half recurrence of his recent injury and his partner, Chai Wing-keung, finished the game on the number's bench.

Add to that the fact that Lee Ping-chiu was unfit to take his place in the team at all and you get some idea of the problems that have faced the Eastern players, and still face them if they hope to continue as potential Champions next season.

It is only when one ponders on these facts that the real magnitude of Eastern's double achievement can be fully appreciated. They have in fact collected their honours with a

minimum of competent reserves and a disconcerting injury list. As things are now they have much in common with the Arsenal of a few years ago. A side of veterans has collected the big plums of the current season but any team that has Old Father Time as a twelfth man must be prepared to face a deep decline which can quickly become a dive unless remedied work is started promptly and applied ruthlessly.

PRESSING NEEDS

Saturday's game emphasised just how pressing are Eastern's needs in this direction. The Champions stood sorry comparison with a Rest side that was faster, stronger, and much more competent in every position except goal.

Ko Po-keung's spirit of exorcism which frequently took him far upfield looked to me like a subtle mask for defensive uncertainty and he was badly out of position when both second half goals were scored.

Lee Kwok-wah, Lo Pak and Lau Chi-lam alone had the vitality to counter the pace of the opposition, but too much was thrown on to them by their less active teammates.

The Rest were a competent combination from stem to stern. Lau Yee was complete master of his area and the forceful play of wing halves Tang Sum and Toffrey provided the sort of service on which Yiu Cheuk-yin, Ho Cheung-yau and Mok Chun-wah thrive, and thrive they did to the intense enjoyment of the 8,000 spectators who filled the two stands.

Chu Wing-wah's unprofitable and annoying habit of holding

up fast forward thrusts by stopping the ball and doubling back on his tracks spoiled many good movements and one was left speculating as to the damage that would have been caused to Eastern had fleet-footed Yeung Wai-to of Shui Tso been on the right wing.

The game itself was never very exciting and first half goals by Yiu Cheuk-yin for the Rest and Lau Chi-lam for Eastern allowed the teams to turn round on level terms.

ADEQUATE TESTIMONY

As the second half progressed it became more and more a contest between the Rest forwards and Yong Pui-dor and the fact that the goalkeeper was beaten only twice is adequate testimony to his courageous performance between the sticks.

Shots were fired at him from all angles and from all distances but whether it was the sly little job from Mok Chun-wah, the cut header from Yiu Cheuk-yin or the full-blooded drive from Ho Cheung-yau they all came alike to Yong and he rightly deserved the plaudits of the crowd.

The late goals by Lo Kwok-tai and Chu Wing-wah were really of the unseemable order, coming as they did at Rest attacks which had blunted the Eastern defence wide open.

Eastern—be it to their credit—never stopped trying to put a better face on things but their depleted, injury-torn team never had the strength, the versatility or the pace to turn their few chances to advantage although they did provoke Tan Nai-huen into pulling off a couple of good saves.

The game dragged on to an inglorious close as far as Eastern were concerned. The Rest were a complete command of everything except Yung Pui-dor's vital piece of territory.

VERDICT: This game must surely act as a warning to Eastern. The team has a dangerous lifelessness that springs entirely from lack of pace and pith. It is acknowledged that they have some brilliant ball players but it must also be noted that nowadays the intricacies are so slow that the opposition is being given adequate time to recover and counter.

THE TEAMS

THE CHAMPIONS (Eastern): Yung Pui-dor; Lo Pak, Chan Kar-sau; Chow Man-chi, Ko Po-keung, Lee Kwok-wah; Ho Yung-fun, Lau Chi-lam, Kwok Yung-lok, Chu Wing-keung, Hau Chi-lung.

The Rest: Tam Nai-huen (Sing Tao); Szeto Yiu (KMB); Lau Lee (Kitchener); Tang Sum (KMB); Luk Tak-ah (South China); Toffrey (Army); Chu Wing-wah (South China); Ho Cheung-yau (South China); Lo Kwok-tai (Sing Tao); Yiu Cheuk-yin (South China); Mok Chun-wah (South China).

PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

At the end of the game the League Championship trophies were presented to the season's winning teams by the Hon. Kwok Chan, President of the Hongkong Football Association. One of the features of the presentation was the almost complete lack of enthusiasm from the big crowd gathered outside the cordon formed by the Police.

Ko Po-keung received the huge First Division cup in a silence broken only by polite handclaps and in fact the only burst of anything like spontaneous cheering was reserved for Yung Pui-dor as he stepped forward to receive his Championship medal and right well he earned the ovation given to him by the fans.

For this record book here is the full list of the season's honours:

First Division Championship: Winners, Eastern; Runners-up, South China.

Second Division Championship: Winners, KMB; Runners-up, Kitchener.

Third Division Championship: Winners, RAMC; Runners-up, Prisoners.

Fourth Division Championship: Winners, B & S; Runners-up, Royal Warrant.

Senior Shield: Winners, Eastern; Runners-up, Kitchener.

Junior Shield: Winners, KMB; Runners-up, Eastern.

Stanley Cup: Winners, South China; Runners-up, KMB.

TOOK A FALL



Hunting Stewart, ridden by Miss I. Touche of Oakley, Surrey, takes a fall at a fence at the Royal Windsor Horse Show.—Central Press Photo.

WEEK-END BOWLS

Craigengower Take Four Very Valuable Points From Match With KCC

By "TOUCHER"

Craigengower Cricket Club further enhanced their chances of replacing Reereio as the Colony First Division Lawn Bowls League Champions by registering another major victory yesterday when they defeated Kowloon Cricket Club by four points to one.

Having gained nine points in two matches at the expense of two of the strongest teams in this season's First Division League, they will be well on the way to the division's Championship honours should they be able to collect full points from Indian Recreation Club "Blues" in a postponed match this Wednesday.

Though still heavy, green conditions yesterday were the best so far this season and some very good bowls were seen by an unusually large crowd.

The Kowloonites lost on the whole to a better team but were rather unfortunate in not salvaging another point from the match. A lucky wicket by Craigengower skip Stan Leonard on the 19th head saw him collect a count of four for his side.

This was, however, short-lived. On the next head, the Craigengower bowlers retaliated with a three to draw level with their opponents at 21-21 when the last head was played.

A first shot by Tony Alves about a foot behind the jack stayed there until Leonard's last wood, which wicketed off a front foot, straightened out and

Chubb was a shade wide in his attempt to rest the shot wood and left Leonard and his men the winners by 22-21.

For the losers both S. Y. Doe and Alves as lead and No. 2 put up a creditable performance and actually had the better of their opponents during the middle twelve heads of the game.

Joe Landolt and Jack Chubb had a fair afternoon. For the winners George Hong Choy at lead and P. K. Lau at No. 2, though at their best, were the mainstays, particularly in the first five heads and the last five.

Fred Madar at No. 3 again had an unsuccessful day except in the last four or five heads and Leonard in the skip's role was well below form.

CLOSE GAME

On the other rink Hong Sling's four carried their close game against Bradbury's four to an 18-15 score at the end of the 19th head. With Bradbury lying two shots on the 20th head, Hong Sling drew in a difficult second shot to still maintain the lead at 18-16 when the last head was played.

CRACKED UP

It was after tea that the Kowloon bowlers cracked up

badly. They wilted under the consistent bowling of the Craigengower leads and No. 2 and the ability of the three and skips to put in their share at the precise moments.

Leonard's four scored a single, a two and another single to pass Jack Chubb at 18-17. A beautiful resting shot by Chubb on the 19th head saw him collect a count of four for his side.

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Today's Chances At The Valley By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Twelfth (Whitsun) Race Meeting will be continued today at the Valley and, with the weather remaining fine at the moment there are indications that the last day of the 1955/56 racing season will again draw a large holiday crowd of racing fans.

The Essex Handicap for Class 2 Ponies over the mile will form the main attraction in a programme of twelve events and keen racing should be the order of the day.

The first saddling bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m., with the first race starting at noon. The 15-min interval will follow the running of the fourth race and the first ball after fifth will be rung at 2.30 p.m.

K. Kwok is now assured of being Champion Jockey for the 1955/56 racing season as he has 22 winners to date and leads by three over his nearest rivals. He has a few good mounts to ride this afternoon to add to his winners when the day is over.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

Wills Handicap: 1½ miles. The first race of the day is confined to Class 7 ponies to be ridden by approved novice riders who have not won 10 races at any time, anywhere.

Atomic Caesar (Wan Shek-ming) can well to win the Yu-nan Handicap for Class 8 ponies over the two-mile post at the last meeting with this same rider up in the time of 2:02-4/5. I believe its prospect

of scoring another win rather bright. Cover Girl (K. Shih) is well suited for this distance and I think it will give Atomic Caesar a good race.

Free Success (Alex Lam) should also be considered as this pony is good over this distance. But (Andrew Lam) is not a bad selection for a place to keep in mind.

As an outsider bear Dutch Courage (Lai Chiu-fai) in mind.

SECOND RACE

Went Handicap: 1½ miles. In this race for Class 10 ponies, Evergreen (K. Kwok) should have no difficulty in winning. This pony came second in the Big Wave Bay Handicap over Six Furlongs at the 10th Race Meeting with S. W. Tang up.

It is not likely to be fully extended, except perhaps by Liddle (H. K. Chuang).

Manx Penny (K. F. Chiu) is not bad over this distance although it will have to give of its best to beat the other ponies in the race.

For an outsider I would recommend keeping an eye on Spanish Fan (Robert Tsai).

THIRD RACE

Hants Handicap: Six Furlongs. In this race for Class 7 ponies, I like Good Girl (K. Kwok) the best. This pony galloped the six furlongs on Wednesday morning, May 9, during training in 1:26.3—last quarter 26.4 seconds.

There is Attractive Power (M. Samarc) to be reckoned with as it is good over this distance. Easy Slim (T. H. Yau) should also be in the running and I expect it to be near at the finish.

Alex Lam will take out Begonia and it has been whispered that this pony stands a good chance of scoring a win here.

FOURTH RACE

Went Handicap: One Mile. Class 10 ponies will battle out the finish in this race. The ponies to watch are Quixote (Chun Kit), Thunder Sky (M. Samarc), Rowanglen (H. K. Hung) and First Lady (P. Plumby).

Quixote is my choice, and I think it should win, but Thunder Sky is not to be ignored as this pony can move and the distance is more to its liking.

Rowanglen and First Lady may have something to say with regard to the other position, but I don't think they can win.

FIFTH RACE

Shropshire Handicap: Six Furlongs. This event will be fought out by Class 7 ponies and, judging from past performances, Flying Dutchman (H. H. Chan) will probably win.

Opposition is likely to come from Spanish Fan (Robert Tsai), Ma Cherie (H. K. Chuang) and another pony to watch, but it may disappoint again.

Harmony (T. H. Yau) is not bad. Hammer Mill (T. Traver) is another candidate capable of extending the lead.

SIXTH RACE

Oxford Handicap: From the 2-Mile Post. How Do I Know (H. K. Chuang) has a good opportunity of winning this race despite its disappointing run the last time out. I think it should just about win, as the distance is more to its liking.

Full Ahead (K. Kwok) has been knocking at the door of success for some time and Every Day (Allan Chan) is another pony to bear in mind as it is capable of giving the aforementioned two ponies a good fight.

Easy Money will be piloted by B. S. Wong and for those who prefer to outside this combination is worth following.

SEVENTH RACE

Norfolk Handicap: Six Furlongs. Cheshington (P. Plumby), winner of the Knutsford Handicap (First Section) for Class 5 ponies from the 1½-mile post at the Ninth Race Meeting, will probably win this race.

The only danger is Santa Maria (Alex Lam), which has been running well during

morning gallops and this combination should not be ignored. Then there is Diana which is very fit at the moment. Under the capable handling of K. Kwok I think it should have a say at the finish.

Fighting Spirit (Robert Tsai) is another pony to bear in mind on account of its light weight of 143 lbs.

EIGHTH RACE

Stafford Handicap: From the 1½-mile Post. This sprint race is confined to Class 5 ponies which have won more than \$3,000 in stakes since November 5, 1955. Over this distance the best thing to do is to look for sprinters.

Tonyan (Allan Chan) is long overdue for a win, and I think its chances today are rather bright.

Chinese Mackerel (H. K. Hung) and Phoenix (A. Ostroff) should be well up at the finish owing to the shorter distance, while Never Forget (C. F. Ng) and Thousand Miles (M. Samarc), which failed so badly the last time out, may make amends today.

NINTH RACE

Asses' Plates: Six Furlongs. This race will be contested by 1955 ponies. Winners only. Winners of not more than \$3,000 in stakes, 135 lb. Penalties: 1 lb. for every \$250, or part thereof won in stakes in excess of \$3,000. Maximum weight 189 lb.

Judging from its win in the St. George's Plate over the mile at the 10th Race Meeting, Bluegrass (H. K. Hung) will be made firm favourite and it should not disappoint.

There is, of course, just a possibility of City of Victoria (H. C. Pih) may cause an upset, provided it does not suffer from a bad start.

Sincerely Yours (Starr Liu) is coming along nicely in its morning training and if given a flying start it should be well in the race.

The shorter distance also favours Norse King (A. Ostroff) and The Cherub (M. Samarc) and either of these two may provide a surprise.

TENTH RACE

Surrey Plate: From the 2-Mile Post. This race is for 1955 ponies which have not won \$1,250, or more in stakes. It is more or less a gift for Corolla (H. M. Botelho) as amongst the entries I do not think there is a pony to extend it, judging by its last run when it was officially fourth in the Talkotul Plate (Second Section) with P. K. Lang up.

Kelpie (A. Ostroff) should have no difficulty in taking second position with Mak Slier (H. K. Hung) fighting out the third position with Caravelle (H. C. Pih).

11th RACE

Warwick Handicap: Six Furlongs. In this race for Class 5 ponies over this distance, Larc Triomphe (M. Samarc) is the obvious choice for first place. I think Tom Thumb (A. Ostroff) is the only other entry to challenge it.

For those who are looking for an outsider I suggest Super-King (Alex Lam).

John Halifax (T. Traver) should not be overlooked.

12th RACE

Essex Handicap: One Mile. This is the final event of the 1955/56 racing season and the ponies entered Resurrection (C. L. Liu), Batsie (W. R. Holman), Golden Branch (W. K. Shieh) and Knock-Down (P. Plumby) are undoubtedly the best.

Resurrection is probably a little better than the others in this race for Class 5 ponies over the mile. It is a fine win in the Mongkok Handicap over the Champion distance, but Batsie was second in this same race and may create a surprise.

Golden Branch, which ran a good third in the above race, must be considered.

Knock-Down ran poorly the last time out and was never in the picture. It should be watched over this distance and a win is not altogether out of the question.

BUDGE PATTY, DROBNY AND NIELSEN ELIMINATED IN FRENCH TENNIS TOURNNEY

Paris, May 20.

Budget Patty, debonair American-Parisian, the second seeded player for the Men's Singles, and Mrs Dorothy Knode, of New York, number two "seed" in the Women's event, both made shock exits from the French International Lawn Tennis Championships here today.

The 32-year-old Patty, idol of the French tennis public, was worn down and then outplayed in a marathon five set fourth round match against the Belgian international Jackie Brichant, who is seeded only 15th.

Mrs Knode, Women's finalist last year, fell to 21-year-old Miss Angela Buxton, the British Whigham Cup player, a Middlesex, who showed sterling fighting qualities in winning 4-6, 7-5, 6-1, after saving off a match point when trailing 3-5 in the second set.

The huge holiday crowd which filled the concrete tiers of the centre court could hardly believe their eyes as Patty, after holding a two-set lead,

allowed the match to slip from his grasp.

The latter Belgian wore him down in the sun.

Unlike top-seeded Australian Lew Hoad, who had a tough five-setter against Robert Abdouham to get him match tight before beating Britain's Roger Becker in the fourth round yesterday, Patty had to meet Brichant having played only three sets in the Championships. He had a bye and a walkover at the start.

DECIDING SET

This lack of match practice was evident at the commencement of the deciding set when Patty surprised lost his service. Looking a weary man, he never recovered from this breach and though he had the experience of ten Wimbledon behind him he just could not check the Belgian who went to four-love and served out the match with a love game to win 3-6, 4-6, 7-5, 7-5, 6-2.

Two other redoubtable Wimbledon performers, Jaroslav Drobný of Egypt and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark, were both beaten in straight sets in the fourth round.

Drobný, who is now 34, could not hold the wily American Herbie Flam and went down 7-5, 6-3, 8-6, while Nielsen, playing below his best, was beaten down by the power and accuracy of Ashley Cooper, 19-year-old Australian Hard Court Champion, who showed enough ability in winning 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 to rank as a potential finalist.

In the quarter-final this line-up in draw order is: Brichant versus Cooper, Sven Davidson (Sweden) versus Flam, Giuseppe Merlo (Italy) versus Paul Remy (France), Nicola Pietrangeli (Italy) versus Hoad.

Soviet Athlete Sets New Javelin Mark

Paris, May 20.

Soviet athlete Vladimir Kuznetsov today lowered his own Soviet national record for the javelin throw, with a throw of 78.76 metres, at an athletics meeting in Kiev. Two news agency reported.

Kuznetsov's former national record was 76.19 metres—France Press.

THE GAMEOLS



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THE BRAZILIANS ARE SAD

England Still Need Albert Quixall

Says ERIC NICHOLLS

England beat Brazil 4-2. So the Brazilians lost the last match of their lightning European tour, the match they most wanted to win. The Brazilians are sad. But English hearts are gay. For hadn't their young side swept into a goal lead in four minutes?

Hadn't they fought back with courage and determination after Brazil had drawn level?

And mightn't the score have been so different? There were those two missed penalties, a Taylor shot which struck the foot of a post, and a Haynes effort, bounding on top of the bar before hurtling to safety.

But my old pessimistic heart isn't so gay. True, England's performance, particularly by the youngsters, was full of promise. But the highest rating I give this showing is "satisfactory." I won't attempt to find a new adjective—laid on three of the goals with inch-perfect crosses. The grand old man also had a hand in the fourth, and when brought into the game by those long raking passes from the "young master," Johnny Haynes, caused such havoc among the Brazilian defenders, that they were glad to kick anywhere to avert danger.

A replacement for Matthews—now on a coaching-cum-exhibition tour of Kenya—must be found for England's games on the Continent.

UTTER FLOP
Big John Atyeo at inside-right was a complete and utter flop. With two ball-players of the calibre of Matthews and Haynes to lay on those defence-splitting passes, the double centre-forward plan can be tolerated, however negative in approach it may be.

But with all the grafting left to young Haynes, there must be a player with considerable more ideas than Atyeo in the other inside-forward berth, if the side is to hold out much hope of a successful tour.

There is no such player in the party.

I repeat what I have said before, Albert Quixall should be restored to the side immediately.

For without the guiding influence of Stan Matthews, I cannot see the line clicking as well as it did at Wembley.

On the credit side, Duncan Edwards played like a veteran at left-half, despite a tendency to get over-heated early on. Ron Clayton had his best game at right-half for many a long day. Colin Granger made mistakes on the left-wing. But this was his first international, and

by the way he took his two goals, he showed that with perseverance he could be the answer to England's left-wing problem.

Tommy Taylor had a great game, and despite the occasional slip by goalkeeper Reg Matthews and Billy Wright, the defence covered well, and seldom looked like being beaten.

HARD TO IMAGINE

After that swashbuckling performance it would be ridiculous to talk of this match as a farewell appearance for Stanley Matthews. It is hard to imagine the side on tour without him; harder still to visualise what steps manager Walter Winterbottom will take to replace him.

Brazil have got more problems to solve. They need a new shadow of the great side in the 1950 World Cup. And this is the team, we are told, they are hoping to field in the 1958 series.

They will have to tighten up considerably in defence, where moving and covering was poor against England. And this side of individuals must be added to a team with constructive ideas.—London Express Service.

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2,000,000 Divots

By Henry Longhurst

To play golf on the Old course at St Andrews is always a notable experience, but never more notable than at the present moment. I can safely say that I have never in Britain, the United States, Canada, Europe or the Antipodes seen anything like it.

Members of the Tripoli and Benghazi clubs, who received me so hospitably a month or two ago, may now take comfort. The condition of their fairways and those of the Old course is identical. Indeed, if you did not look up from the ground, only the biting east wind would tell you that you were playing at St Andrews and not in the Libyan desert.

Some attribute these fantastic conditions to this area east of Wemyss and other inclemencies of the weather. Some talk learnedly of inorganic fertilisers. Others, as usual, point accusing fingers at the people in charge. For myself, I am satisfied that they are due to none of these, but to an illogical and impossible situation which merits immediate review.

The set-up at St Andrews is complicated and widely misunderstood. There are four courses—the Old, the New, the Jubilee and the Eden—and all are "public," just like those in Richmond Park. Around them are a number of clubs—the Royal and Ancient, the New, the St Andrews and the St. Rule's. The clubs, of course, run their own affairs, but the links committee composed of nominees of the R. and A. and the town council, with an R. and A. chairman.

NO INCOME

Unlike the national golf unions, which derive substantial incomes from affiliated clubs, the Royal and Ancient Club has no income whatever from the golfing public, but it contributes each year towards the upkeep of the St Andrews courses, from its private income from members' subscriptions, a sum equal to the total response so far from golfers all over Britain to Lord Bruce's appeal for funds for international golf.

In the meantime the joint kitty is swollen by green fees, which on the Old course are 3s. 6d. for residents, 4s. for strangers. For residents of St Andrews a season's subscription to all four courses costs 30s. and for a small addition this will cover the whole family, those under 10 being thrown in free of charge. They are to be seen.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Racing
13th Whitman Race Meeting (Second Day) at Happy Valley at noon.

TOMORROW

Football
Federation Cup East v. Sing Tao at Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.

Boxing
H.K. Chinese v. A. meeting at South China Stadium, 7.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Boxing
1st Division CCC v. "The" at 7.30 p.m.

Baseball
at 7.30 p.m.

Triangular County Lawn Bowls Tourney Teams

A triangular County lawn bowls tournament, the first of its kind in the Hongkong bowls history, between Yorkshire, Lancashire and Northumberland and Durham will be played under floodlights at the Kowloon Bowling Green on Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m.

At the conclusion of the game a fish and chip party has been arranged.

TEAMS

Northumberland and Durham Association
Rink 1:—O. Fingelson, R. Douglas, A. Fletcher, C. Colings.

Rink 2:—Mrs. Whitby, M. Williamson, J. Rowan, K. A. Baker.

Rink 3:—Mrs. K. A. Baker, R. Winship, H. Black, T. Curry.

Rink 4:—Mrs. B. Douglas, Maj. Strother-Stewart, W. Chambers, A. Elliott.

Society of Yorkshiremen in Hongkong
Rink 1: A. R. Brown, Mrs. B. Stoker, D. W. Leach, W. Stoker (Skip).

Rink 2: G. W. Bellamy, G. N. Bottomley, A. Buckley, C. Pope (Skip).

Rink 3: G. B. Mitchell, Mrs. Ridsdale, E. Woburn-Hitch, E. Lonsdale (Skip).

Rink 4: N. Sykes, Mrs. Lonsdale, J. Caldwell, H. Ridsdale (Skip).

Reserves: E. R. Sutton & P. Lumb.

Society of Lancastrians
Rink 1: E. Biggart, Mrs. J. D. Underwood, Mrs. R. M. Hetherington, E. Greenwood (Skip).

Rink 2: Mrs. K. Summers, Miss D. Norman, J. B. Dewhurst, H. Finney (Skip).

Rink 3: S. R. Murphy, Mrs. E. Mills, A. Storrer, K. Summers (Skip).

Rink 4: Li-Col. J. B. Underwood, Mrs. A. Storrer, Mrs. E. Greenwood, R. M. Hetherington (Skip).

Japan Beaten

3-2 By India

In Davis Cup

Tokyo, May 20.
India triumphed over Japan by three matches to two today in the Davis Cup Eastern Zone finals.

Narash Kumar, 28-year-old second-ranking Indian player from Calcutta, clinched the victory for India in the first of the two remaining singles with a 6-4, 6-1, 6-1 sweep over Atsushi Miyagi.

Kumar needed only 58 minutes to dispose of Miyagi with his masterful court strategy.

Kneel Kamo defeated Ramanathan Krishnan, tall 19-year-old No. 1 Indian player from Madras, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 in the remaining anti-climactic singles.

Today's crowd included Princess Suga, a daughter of Emperor Hirohito and Empress Nagako, and Princess Chichibu, widow of the late Prince, a brother of the Emperor.

India will now play the winner of the American-European inter-zone play next December in Australia.—United Press.

A QUICK GOAL

If required, only five seconds from the starting whistle for 61 Boys Brigade Company to score against 1 Welsh Company. They netted two more within five minutes, and then lost to match 4-2.

BRITISH OLYMPIC HOPE



Ron Roberts, 24-year-old London policeman who is now Britain's leading free style swimmer, snapped in training at the Lansdowne Club. He is likely to represent Britain at the Olympic Games at Melbourne.—Central Press Photo.

SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

AMATEURS? I ASK YOU!

By W. CAPEL KIRBY

The importance of the Olympic Games is not in winning, but in taking part. You can tell that idealistic flimflam to the Marines—or, better still, tell it to Toni Sailer.

For the unimportance of winning three Olympic gold medals at Cortina, he has been given the freedom of the Austrian town of Kitzbuhel, 1,200 square yards of land and building materials for a house!

For being placed in two Olympic ski-jumping events, Andrea Molterer became a 950 square yards landowner.

They tell me Sailer has set his mind on becoming a first-class lawn tennis player, but even that highly paid "amateur" sporting pursuit cannot compete with "taking part" in Olympics.

Isn't it high time the word "amateur" disappeared from the international sporting vocabulary?

League club stars have been taking an interest in the junior football activities of Accrington Corinthians. Players they reckon measure up to standard are 17-year-olds Keith Kitchener and Peter Dudley.

Player being put through his paces in the West Indies by Jimmy Hill, of Fulham, is Henry Miller, a dusky centre-half who came over here to join fellow Jamaican Lindy Delapenha at Middlesbrough, but returned through ill-health. Lindy hopes Henry will land at Ayresome Park.

South African golfing Garry Player, heads a strong overseas contingent due to Edinburgh this week in search of the Penfold Trophy, which carries a first prize of £1,000. There will be congestion round the first tee at Burnton at 2-30 next Wednesday, when Player,

which disappeared below the rooftops in the second half. In goal Ted Ditchburn was playing blind man's buff.

If Conway Smith is still anxious to return to Yorkshire, he might find Bradford City interested, providing Queen's Park Rangers keep the transfer fee within reasonable limits.

Conway is the son of Billy Smith, old-time Huddersfield Town celebrity.

PIRIE-TECHNICS
As an Olympic 5'00 Metres contender, Gordon Pirie hasn't a hope in Melbourne.

Over 10,000 Metres he might get a place. Why is he running the shoes 4,500 and 3,000 Metre distances at London's White City? Perhaps we're due for some more Pirie-technics!

Monthly Exercise—District HK-1.—All personnel of (1) District HK-1 and (2) H.K. Control Centre are required to attend the Monthly Exercise HK-1 which will be held on Sunday, May 21, 1956 commencing at 08.00 hours. District HK-1 personnel are required to report to A.P.S. Training Depot Arsenal at 08.00 hours and H.K. Control Centre personnel report to H.K. Control Centre at 08.00 hours. Orders.

HOME TRIP
Leicester City manager, Dave Halliday, is on his native heath to take a look at Jimmy Logan, the Vale of Leven pivot, who has recently been the subject of several inquiries.

England's last defeat in Stockholm was due to a major blunder by Billy Wright, who decided to face a blinding sun.

Soccer Match Postponed
The Boy Scouts Association football match between the R.A.F. and the "Seven" Tigers at Boundary Street, Folkestone ground arranged for Saturday May 20 has been unavoidably postponed until Sunday, May 27 at the same time. All tickets sold will be available for the game on Sunday, May 27.

HUNGARY BEATEN 4-2 AT SOCCER
Vienna, May 20.
Czechoslovakia beat Hungary by 4 goals to 2 in their soccer international in Budapest today according to radio reports picked up here.

They led 2-1 at half-time.

Swimming Record
Palo Alto, California, May 20.
American swimmer Robin Moore beat the world record for the men's 100 yards free style, by three tenths of a second, with a time of 1.14.4 seconds.

The official record of 1.14.4 seconds was set by Dick Clark, also of the United States, four years ago.

Last Kick Drama
Major Green and Lower Corral had not scored a goal a moment from the end of the last match of the season. Moore Green was awarded a penalty kick of 11 yards. He scored.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

TWELFTH (WHITSUN) RACE MEETING

Saturday 19th and Monday 21st May, 1956

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 22 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on the 1st Day.

On the 2nd Day the First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon. The Tiffin Interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.).

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on the 1st Day and at 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd Day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

THE 1955 SETS OF MEMBERS BADGES AND LADIES BROOCHES ARE VALID UNTIL THE END OF THE CURRENT RACING SEASON.

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 72911).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$4.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 5, D'Agular Street during normal office hours and until 10.00 a.m. on the First Day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 18th May, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription lists without stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), 5, D'Agular Street and 382, Nathan Road during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the 1st Day and 10.00 a.m. on the 2nd Day of the Meeting.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENTS WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,

A. E. ARNOLD,

Secretary.



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HOME TRIP
Leicester City manager, Dave Halliday, is on his native heath to take a look at Jimmy Logan, the Vale of Leven pivot, who has recently been the subject of several inquiries.

England's last defeat in Stockholm was due to a major blunder by Billy Wright, who decided to face a blinding sun.

Soccer Match Postponed
The Boy Scouts Association football match between the R.A.F. and the "Seven" Tigers at Boundary Street, Folkestone ground arranged for Saturday May 20 has been unavoidably postponed until Sunday, May 27 at the same time. All tickets sold will be available for the game on Sunday, May 27.

HUNGARY BEATEN 4-2 AT SOCCER
Vienna, May 20.
Czechoslovakia beat Hungary by 4 goals to 2 in their soccer international in Budapest today according to radio reports picked up here.

They led 2-1 at half-time.

Swimming Record
Palo Alto, California, May 20.
American swimmer Robin Moore beat the world record for the men's 100 yards free style, by three tenths of a second, with a time of 1.14.4 seconds.

The official record of 1.14.4 seconds was set by Dick Clark, also of the United States, four years ago.

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NOVEL TECHNIQUES THAT AID BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

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One British firm is now specialising in pre-stressed steelwork.

Since the war slotted angle has made great strides, not only

A moving stair designed for use in the home—and to make life easier for the aged, the infirm and the merely leg-weary—was shown last week at the Mechanical Handling Exhibition, London. The domestic escalator (called the Bennie) forms a double width bottom stair when it is parked at the foot of the staircase. The passenger, who may stand or sit, has a seat or a cushioned footrest which is raised by a pair of aluminium guides resting on the stair nosings. It stops automatically when reaching the top and stands ready to make the return trip. The motive powers is supplied by a half-horse power reversible electric motor fitted in the usual recess beneath the stairs and attached to the stair by two multi-stranded cables. The return will be made by two cables which will be attached to the motor.

Those who wish to go on foot—The Bennie.

Terminals will withstand hammering, vibration or other industrial hazards. An inspection hole is provided in each terminal to ensure that the attachment is secure. Standard ranges offered at present range from one-eighth inch to one inch.

The FNF machine impressed at the Brussels Exhibition by running very satisfactorily under adverse conditions at a cruising speed of 900 courses per minute.

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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

Demands For Easier Money

NY COTTON
FUTURES
END HIGH

By William T. Plunkett

New York, May 20.
Cotton futures bobbed up and down on the price ladder this past week, covering a range of about \$2 a bale, then finished with prices on the high end of the saw.

At Friday's close the list ruled 11 to 37 points higher, or up 55 cents to \$1.85 a bale from the preceding week. Nearly July, the single extension, closed off 9 points, or 45 cents a bale.

May contracts went off the board on Monday, holding at the season's best level of 35.98 cents a pound, the succeeding July contract, for a time, borrowed strength from May, but ran into stiff resistance at the 34 1/2 cents level.

Opposition in July also was coupled with a pessimistic theory that being the last trading month of the old crop year, it faces competition with the new crop, which will be supported at a lower level.

LOWER PRICE

Moreover, since the ensuing crop deliveries will be at lower prices, contract deliveries might prove to be heavy. Also, experts noted the export demand for the most part, will be satisfied out of Government stocks, while mills may act to cut inventories of raw cotton with the object of replacing at lower prices later on.

A news feature of the week was the announcement of Government sales of 223,544 bales out of the surplus stock for export at a price range of 20.25 to 27.50 cents a pound, basis middling 15/16 inch. This came as a surprise to many who had predicted the quantity would be very small, and possibly at lower prices.

London Foreign
Exchange

London, May 20.
Foreign exchange rates closed on Saturday as follows:—
New York 2.804-2.807 1/2
Montreal 2.812-2.815 1/2
Amsterdam 10.673-10.675 1/2
Brussels 13.071-13.073 1/2
Frankfurt 11.701-11.703 1/2
Lisbon 80.10-80.12 1/2
Milan 17.541-17.543 1/2
Paris 14.531-14.533 1/2
Stockholm 12.201-12.203 1/2
Zurich 12.201-12.203 1/2
Others were unchanged.—United Press.

New York Stocks
Finish
Above Their Lows

By Elmer Walzer

New York, May 20.
Stocks declined further this past week although they finished the final session above their lows.

This lift came because of a rally on Thursday after the industrial average had dropped in eight straight sessions. The recovery was considered merely technical after a sharp drop. The industrial average showed a loss of 10.33 points from the recovery high of April 25 and was down 25.35 points from the record high set on April 6. It closed the week at 490.39, off 4.88 points from the previous week's close.

Bulls lost 2.70 points on the week to finish at 175.17. Utilities, however, advanced 0.21 point on the week to finish at 60.17 on average.

Tight Money

Reasons for the decline were the same as those of last week. Some were emphasized a bit more, notably the production of steel. Tight money prevailed as the number one reason for market difficulty. Fewer buyers

In United States
HOUSING AND AUTOMOBILE
INDUSTRIES HARD HIT

By JOHN MORKA

New York, May 20.

There's a new economic bogeyman in the US these days. Only a few short weeks ago, everyone worried about inflation. They talked about rising prices, over-borrowing by businessmen and housewives and of impending doom.

TEXTILE
MARKET
SLUGGISH

New York, May 20.

Most sellers of grey and finished cotton textiles reported another week of disappointingly slow business.

The end-April buying boom in print cloths, when "tens of millions" of yards were sold to chain and mail order houses, garment cutters and piece goods buyers, as a "one week wonder," brokers declared.

Market analysts continued to blame the long spell of unseasonably cold and rainy weather for the discouraging turn of event. Yet a lingering hope existed among sellers that the next six weeks will bring enough sunshine and business to balance out against the past six weeks of gloom.

Mill executives meanwhile said they are confronted with an extra dilemma. While buyers keep holding off, waiting for better weather, or lower cotton prices, manufacturers production costs keep going up.

MACHINERY BOOST

Some mill managers complained of a 10 per cent boost in the cost of machinery replacements since March 2. On top of that, they are worried about another round of wage increases for mill workers.

Pressure from second-hand makers some weavers uneasy and inclined to meet the competition, but other firms held the price line. Some contended that they can carry the goods until August or September and still sell them at a profit.

Yarn spinners termed the market as "sluggish" as buyers, probing lower prices, placed small purchase orders for fill-in stocks. But spokesmen for manufacturers clung to the belief the market will witness a marked improvement about mid-July. By that time consumers will have worked down inventories and be through with their vacation, largely on a hand-to-mouth basis. Spinning ruled quiet with no significant change in prices.—United Press.

Continue Unabated

Many feel that capital outlays are at or about their peaks and it is expected that by summer-time, buying for inventory will have dropped off, thus easing the overall demand for financing.

About the only place where credit appears to be relatively unimportant these days is in Wall Street. Of course, the financial district would welcome some new gesture to make funds available. Wall Street would like to see credit go into industry so that the boom can continue unabated. The release of credit might be inflationary, but here too, market men look with favour on a boost along that line. Inflation is supposed to help common stocks because they are presumed to be a hedge against deflation. They are supposed to rise as fast as Eracolon Falls so that the holder is protected against dollar shrinkage.

As for the stock market itself, there's little need for credit. The market these days is practically a cash market, in contrast with the one of 1929 which was pyramided on credit.

Labour Movement

Harry E. Prioleau said that if "dynamic capitalism" does not reverse the trend in many foreign nations toward state operation of industry and a growing mistrust of American motives in these countries, US investments will be squeezed out of these rich potential markets.

So much so, retrenchment became the fashionable thing. Credit—personal and business—became tougher to get. Interest rates rose to the highest levels in over 20 years.

But nowadays there's less talk of inflation as the threat to America's health and home, more of deflation, with all its depressing connotations. At least that's what more and more Americans are saying these days.

Defer Purchase

Almost daily, there are new demands for some easing of the credit brakes. The home building industry—still pointing sharply downward—demands the Government make money easier. The hard-hit auto industry, led by General Motors President Harlow Curtice—blames its glut of 800,000 unsold autos on the Government's credit policies which he charged, lowered confidence and caused consumers to defer purchases.

The housing industry made a strong plea for Government credit relief. Spokesmen for builders and realtors complain that housing starts in April are down 20 per cent from the year-ago pace. They say the situation won't correct itself and insist that the Federal Reserve Board and other Government agencies must increase the supply of credit so that more people can obtain Government-backed loans at 4 1/2 per cent.

The next few weeks will be watched closely by Government experts for signs as to what effect current credit curbs are taking. If present indications are borne out, then it is expected that the summer might see some easing in the credit picture.

RECOVERY
OF ACID

New York, May 20.
A division of the Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation has patented a method for the recovery of contaminated or used chromic acid solutions used in chromium plating, anodizing and copper stripping operations. It is being made generally available for industrial use without the requirement of any formal licence, the company said.

The process is described as involving exchange treatment for the removal of metallic impurities of iron, copper, aluminium and other metals by passing solutions through a polyvinyl aryl compound. Such treatment on a hydrogen cycle permits the recovery of baths which have become inoperable.—China Mail Special.

The Bank Of England
Statement

London, May 20.
The Bank of England statement for the week ended May 16, reads as follows:—
Note in circulation 1,850,285,493
Public deposits 22,709,810
Private deposits 224,814,728
Government securities 291,761,629
Other securities 37,417,784
Reserves 40,341,230
Ratio 5.1
—United Press.

The Bank Of France
Statement

Paris, May 20.
The Bank of France statement for the week ended May 9, reads as follows:—
Total gold holdings 80,220,224,493
Total foreign currencies 17,724,713,994
Total deposits 104,310,000,000
A reserve of 100,000,000,000 francs is available.
Banknotes in circulation 100,000,000,000
Current accounts and deposits 4,310,000,000
—United Press.

The Bank Of India
Statement

New Delhi, May 20.
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REACTION
TO GSA
BARTER

New York, May 20.

The amended directive announced by Mr Arthur Flemming, Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization recently covering procurement by the General Services Administration (GSA) which allows for the barter of domestic agricultural products for lead and zinc met with a mixed reception in the trade here.

Some traders felt that if the CCC, which under the plan would barter or exchange the domestic agricultural commodities for the metals, were to acquire foreign lead or zinc, it might aid the sagging markets abroad.

So far the decline in the prices of these metals on the London Metal Exchange has not constituted any serious threat to the domestic market, but it might well become so if prices abroad should undergo a further serious decline.

Others pointed out that with domestic lead and zinc consumption falling off the probability was that the offers of domestically produced lead to the GSA for the stockpile would show a material increase. If that was the case the question would be raised as to whether the Government would still encourage the acquisition of foreign metal for the supplemental stockpile.—China Mail Special.

DUTCH-ISRAELI
AGREEMENT

The Hague, May 20.
Dutch-Israeli trade talks, held here from May 1-14, have led to a new trade agreement for the period May 1, 1956-April 30, 1957, the Economic Affairs Ministry announces.

The overall value of goods to be exchanged between the two countries in the period is estimated at about 40 million guilders. Last year Dutch imports from Israel were 11.8 million and exports 37.1 million.

Holland will supply mainly agricultural products, fats and oils, chemical and pharmaceutical products, textiles and metal products.

The main Israeli products to be exported to the Netherlands are citrus fruits and other agricultural products.—China Mail Special.

U. S. COTTON
CONSUMPTION

Washington, May 20.
The Census Bureau said today that 721,577 running bales of cotton were consumed in the US in April compared to 695,188 during April, 1955.

In its monthly report on cotton and linters statistics, the Bureau said 7,071,573 bales were consumed during the nine months through April 1956, compared to 6,722,102 during the same period a year ago.

Cotton on hand in public storage and consuming establishments totaled 18,260,864 bales on the last working day of April, compared to 13,055,003 on the similar day of 1955.

The Census Bureau said there were 19,290,000 active cotton-consuming spindles in the US on April, 28.—United Press.

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Singapore Rubber
Millers
Desperate

Singapore, May 20.
Rubber milling factories in Singapore were in a "very precarious position" because they could not get enough raw materials from Indonesia, the president of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, Mr Tan Siak Kew, said here today.

Of all the factories in the Colony, only three or four were working, Mr Tan said.

Indonesia's policy, he explained, was to reserve its rubber latex for its own mills.

Even if the Indonesian Government released surplus for export, the price for buyers in Singapore might be too high for local mills to operate economically, Mr Tan added.—Reuter.

London Oils
Push
Upward

By C. T. Hallinan

London, May 20.

The London Stock Market last week saw oils on the upside with Royal Dutch gaining 1/2 sterling to £77 1/2 (its 1956 high thus far is £80) while British Petroleum—on a market rumour that a free scrip issue is imminent—gained 9 shillings to 148s. 9d. And Burmah rose 2 shillings. Anglo-Egyptian "B" lost 2 shillings and sixpence.

In some ways the biggest figure of the week has been the quickly emerging figure of British Petroleum. People have tended to assume that it was severely damaged when it was pushed out of its monopoly in Persia but the company's annual report and a Chairman's remarks call attention to the fact that the company's fifty-five share of oil reserves of Kuwait give it over 10 per cent of the world's proved oil reserves while its share of current oil production is only 6 per cent.

HAS THE OIL

That is to say, unlike most of the big oil companies, it need waste no more of its resources on exploring for oil; it has the oil which is more than half the battle. Its shares—viewed from this long term angle—are now voted the cheapest and the most promising open to British investors.

Tendency in the week has been to get out of foreign bonds. German 7 per cent Polish sold at a rate to lower the price 4 sterling to a new 1956 low of £238.

In the Japanese list there was a bit more activity in the assorted bonds than in the non-assorted. The 1910s assorted fell 2 1/2 while the more speculative non-assorted eased only one-half sterling. The whole list was fairly quiet.

British Government stocks continue to be baffling. The shorts and the near-shorts tend to resist selling but those with a life of 10 years or more seem to drop if anybody says so. Last week Old Consols and "Dallons" fell 10s while one of the railway nationalisation loans fell 12 shillings 6 pence but the huge war loan, very popular with foreigners, lost only 5 shillings 9 pence.—United Press.

US RAW COTTON
EXPORTS

New York, May 20.
Raw cotton exports by destination as reported in sales by the New York Cotton Exchange for the 1955-56 season to May 15 were as follows:—
Britain 17,754
Continental 20,228
Japan 12,228
Others 12,228
Total for season 62,440
Same period last year 62,440
—United Press.

US Textile Industry
Spending Millions
On Research

New York, May 20.

The US textile industry is spending millions on developing new uses for a new type of loomless fabrics.

An estimated \$5,000,000 is being spent in intensive research by some of the leading textile companies in America to promote this infant industry—which many feel has a tremendous potential as new applications and uses are uncovered in the laboratories.

So far most of the principal uses of these non-woven fabrics are as towels, napkins, disposable draperies, interlinings in apparel and industrial fields, ribbons, wiping cloths. Non-woven asbestos cloth for pipe coating is also finding acceptance.

Thus on the basis of present research on non-wovens, no one thinks that the British—long the premier wool source—need worry about losing their present stronghold in the American woolen market.

It is pointed out that the British woolen industry—especially in the lower and medium grades—might meet increasingly stronger competition from other countries, notably Japan and Italy, where labour costs are lower.

Trade leaders see a big future ahead for non-wovens but they cautiously point out that its future is still pretty much wrapped up in the test tubes and laboratories.

There's no amount of optimism. But they also see a long and arduous road ahead. They realize that it will take lots of selling, promotion and money before the industry can entrench itself in the American fashion market.

On that basis, therefore, non-woven experts feel the British have little to fear—at least for the time being.—United Press.

WORLD'S
SHIPYARD
TONNAGE

New York, May 20.

The world's shipyards had 1,833 ships, aggregating 18,084,310 gross tons, on order as of April 1, compared with 1,780,646 gross tons on Jan. 1, according to the Shipbuilders Council of America.

On April 1, 1955, these shipyards had 1,402 ships of 11,970,888 gross tons on order.

The Council noted that the latest figures do not include Polish shipyards where reports indicate there are 50 ships of 130,000 gross tons on order.

Great Britain again was well in the lead with 458 ships of 4,333,268 gross tons, followed by Japan with 207 ships of 3,351,610 tons and Germany with 456 ships of 2,927,501 tons.

U.S. shipyards continued to hold the 10th spot with 30 ships of 437,100 tons.

The above figures include only ships of 1,000 gross tons or over.—United Press.

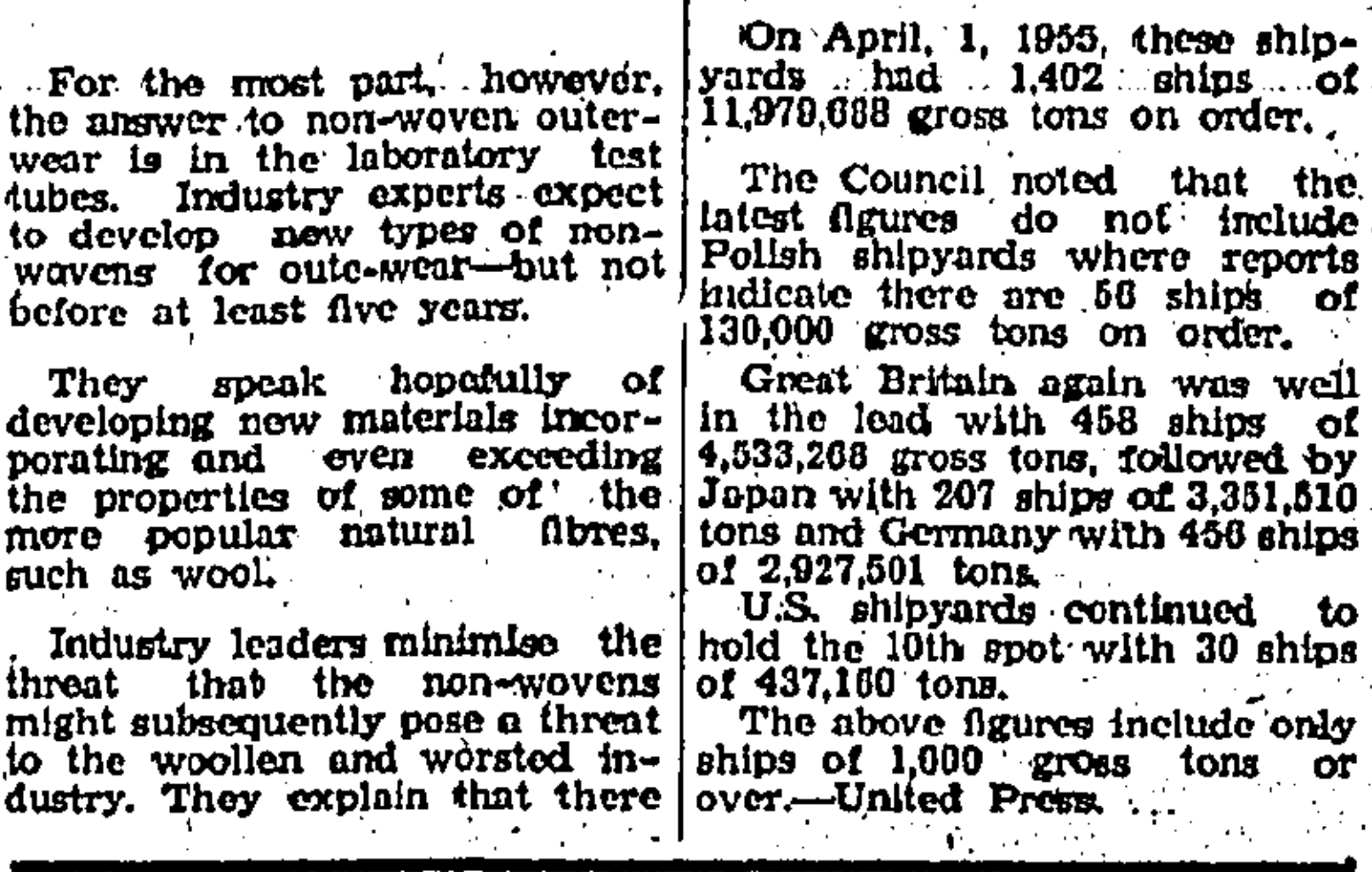
New Materials

For the most part, however, the answer to non-woven outerwear is in the laboratory test tubes. Industry experts expect to develop new types of non-wovens for outerwear but not before at least five years.

They speak hopefully of developing new materials incorporating and even exceeding the properties of some of the more popular natural fibres, such as wool.

Industry leaders minimize the threat that the non-wovens might subsequently pose a threat to the woolen and worsted industry. They explain that there

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RADIO HONGKONG

H.K.T. 12 noon, Ted Heath and his Music with Dennis Lally, Kathy Lloyd, Bobbie Houston (BBCTS), 12.30 p.m. Double Attraction, Hoagy Carmichael (vocal), Ella and Paloma (vocal), 1. Time Signal, "Waiting for Paul Lincke", London Promenade Orchestra, 1.15 News, Weather Report and Special Announcements, 1.30 BBC Concert Hall, BBC Symphony Orchestra, Conductor: Sir Malcolm Sargent (BBCTS), 2.30, "From the Gay Nineties to the Boaring Twenties" with Ethel Merman, The Mitchell Boys Choir and Old Timers Quartet, 3. "Drama at Inish" A Play by Lennox Robinson, Produced by John Gilson (BBCTS), 4. Jazz Concert with Humphrey Lyttelton and his Band, 4.30, "Two Hearts in Three Quarter Time" (Robert Stolt), Light Opera sung by the Viennese Light Opera Company, cond. by The Composer, 5.30 (teppan), Cymbalon Melodica, 6.30, "Magnificent Obsession" Music from the film, played by Universal-International Orchestra with Chorus, 6. Time Signal and Programme Summary, 6.55, New Hits in Variety, 7.30, Australian Magazine, 8.45, "Box 200", Bert Gillett at the Organ (Recorded), 7. Popular Classics, 7.30, Latin American Music from Buenos Aires and Rio, 7.50, Weather Report, 8. Time Signal and The News (London Relay), 8.05, Commentary (London Relay) or Special Announcements, 8.15, Evening Star — Eartha Kitt (vocal), 8.30, "Carole" sung by Gordon Macfay, Shirley Jones and other members of the film production, Orch. and Chorus cond. by Alfred Newman, 9.30, Sonata for cello and piano in E minor, Op. 38

(Brazilian): 10. Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards in "Take It From Here" Alma Cogan, June Whitfield, Wallis Eaton with the Keynotes (BBCTS), Repeat of last Saturday's Broadcast, 10.30, A Tribute to Buncey, Popular Continental Orchestras, 10.55, Weather Report, 11. Time Signal, Radio News, Reel (London Relay), 11.15, Goodnight Music, 11.30, Queen Elizabeth Steeplechase, Commentary from Hurst Park (London Relay), 11.45 Close Down.

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TUESDAY, MAY 22
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SHOW BUSINESS keeps a date with-

MISS DANDRIDGE by CANDLELIGHT

I find she's a girl who keeps her ego in place

COCKY, a stuffed toy dog (cocker spaniel) was on the floor beside the sofa, standing guard on his mistress, Dorothy Dandridge.

I sat in one corner of the sofa. Miss Dandridge was curled comfortably in the other. Just Cocky, Dorothy and me (which is surely a title for a pop song) in the lounge of her hotel suite.

Miss Dandridge, who was the hot chocolate star of that film "Carmen Jones," in which she sang with a dubbed voice, has arrived to sing in cabaret at the Savoy—with her own voice.

Apart from her stuffed animals Miss Dandridge has brought the standard equipment for a cabaret lady—shimmering evening gowns (about 10) costing \$700 each.

Plus one non-standard piece of equipment. Her own candleabra.

It's brass! stood on the coffee table before us. She moved it to the table which had been wheeled in for dinner. She switched out the lights and lit the candles.

The stage was set. Too well set. I am not complaining. I am not offering to switch jobs with a polar explorer. But only a columnist made of paper and tied together with typewriter ribbons could concentrate entirely on interviewing in such a setting. I am not made of paper.

It was almost unfair. And unnecessary. I would, I think, be impressed by Miss Dandridge even in the hardest lighting and even over a flimsy sandwich in a crowded railway station buffet.

She is intelligent and stimulating as well as beautiful. Unlike many pop singers her conversation is not as banal as her song lyrics. And her ego, like her bustline, is not inflated to absurd fashionably Hollywood proportions.

She still seems a little surprised that "Carmen Jones" has made her an international star with a plushy seven-year Hollywood contract.

Money (her earnings from cabaret now average £70,000 a

year) and success, she said, apologising for trotting out a truism, don't guarantee happiness.

But they needn't make you miserable either, if you have the right mental approach. Miss Dandridge obviously has the right mental approach.

She is a student of psychiatry—she found room in her luggage, among the candleabra and gowns, for a book on Freud—but she is not at the moment a patient of psychiatrists.

The harsh subject of the colour bar cropped up in the soft candlelight.

"I can't honestly say that I've suffered in my career because I'm a Negro."

"Mind you, I was a bit puzzled recently when I appeared in cabaret in Las Vegas and found that no Negro—not even my mother—would be welcomed in the audience."

While I lifted her cherished candleabra to light my cigarette (she wasn't offended) she complained that she has been badly and confusingly misrepresented since she arrived.

I. AS an insatiable male-dreamer like Carmen. Not true. Her appetites for the male were normal—and usually under control. Her marriage and divorce were below show business par. Only one of each.

2. AS the daughter of a clergyman. Not true. Her father was a cabinetmaker.

3. AS saying that there is no such thing as sex appeal. What she had meant was that sex appeal didn't exist if it depended only on the physical attributes. It must come from within. It was an inner glow.

"You don't have to be a beauty to have sex appeal. Look at Anna Magnani."

I preferred to look at Dorothy Dandridge. But it was time to go.

To use the title of one of her songs it was time to "blow out the candles." But not as the song says, "no there'll be no candles!"—I'm sorry to report.



By LOGAN GOURLAY

She told me she has quite a collection of these stuffed dogs—a pink poodle, a white poodle, and a bulldog, called Godfrey. "I'd prefer real live pets, of course. But I couldn't look after them—I travel around so much in this job. So Cocky and Co. are the next best things. He's cute, and cuddly, isn't he?"

I have nothing against dogs—stuffed or live—but she herself was, I thought, much cuter and cuddlier.

"I love candlelight," she said. "Always dine by it at home—in my apartment in Hollywood. The place is full of candleabras. And, of course, I use one in my act."

"Yes. But I was using mine before him."

There is, I need hardly add, no other similarity between Dandridge and Liberace, except that they both wear sequins.

Miss Dandridge, imported candleabra ("No, it's not silver."

Don't let NATO fool you

It's a sham that costs millions

by Robert J. Edwards

SOON—to use Mr Selwyn Lloyd's unhappy phrase—the "three wise men" of NATO will start on their travels. They are the Foreign Ministers of Canada, Norway and Italy. And their mission is to find some means of giving NATO a face-lift.

I hope they fail, for if they don't Britain will suffer. Already hundreds of millions of our own money have been burned up by NATO. For here is the harsh truth about this European organisation—a truth known, of course, to the Russians. Militarily, NATO is a sham. We might just as well stamp pound notes into an incinerator.

FULFILLED
Britain has so fulfilled her North Atlantic Treaty obligations that she has the heaviest defence burden in the world. What of the European nations? Look, first, at one of the principal NATO signatories, France. How many men does she possess in NATO to resist the invader?

Not 5,000 men. And most of these are unequipped for battle. France's fighting power is elsewhere—across the Mediterranean in Algeria, at war with the nationalists. A quarter of a million of her soldiers are there. They are now being reinforced by what is left in West Germany of the French Fifth and Seventh Armoured Divisions. So France is out of NATO, and for a long time to come. That is fact number one.

ADENAUER'S IDEA
Fact number two: Germany's contribution of 500,000 men has not yet materialised. There are generals, but no troops. And that, apart from the addition of a few extra platoons—the harvest of Europe's most reluctant recruitment, drive—is likely to remain the position for just as long as the Germans can get away with it.

Dr Adenauer intends to reap further trade and prosperity for Germany, while we plough still more of our resources into the production of arms. That is how he interprets his obligations to NATO.

Now look eastwards at Turkey and Greece. Both are of great strategic value. And both are in NATO. But draw no solace from that. For one or the other is certain to go.

NO CONCERN
If we quit Cyprus, the Turks will never forgive us. They will say that we have surrendered the Turkish minority to the Greeks. If we stay—as the Government intends—be sure the Greeks will eventually withdraw from NATO—in protest.

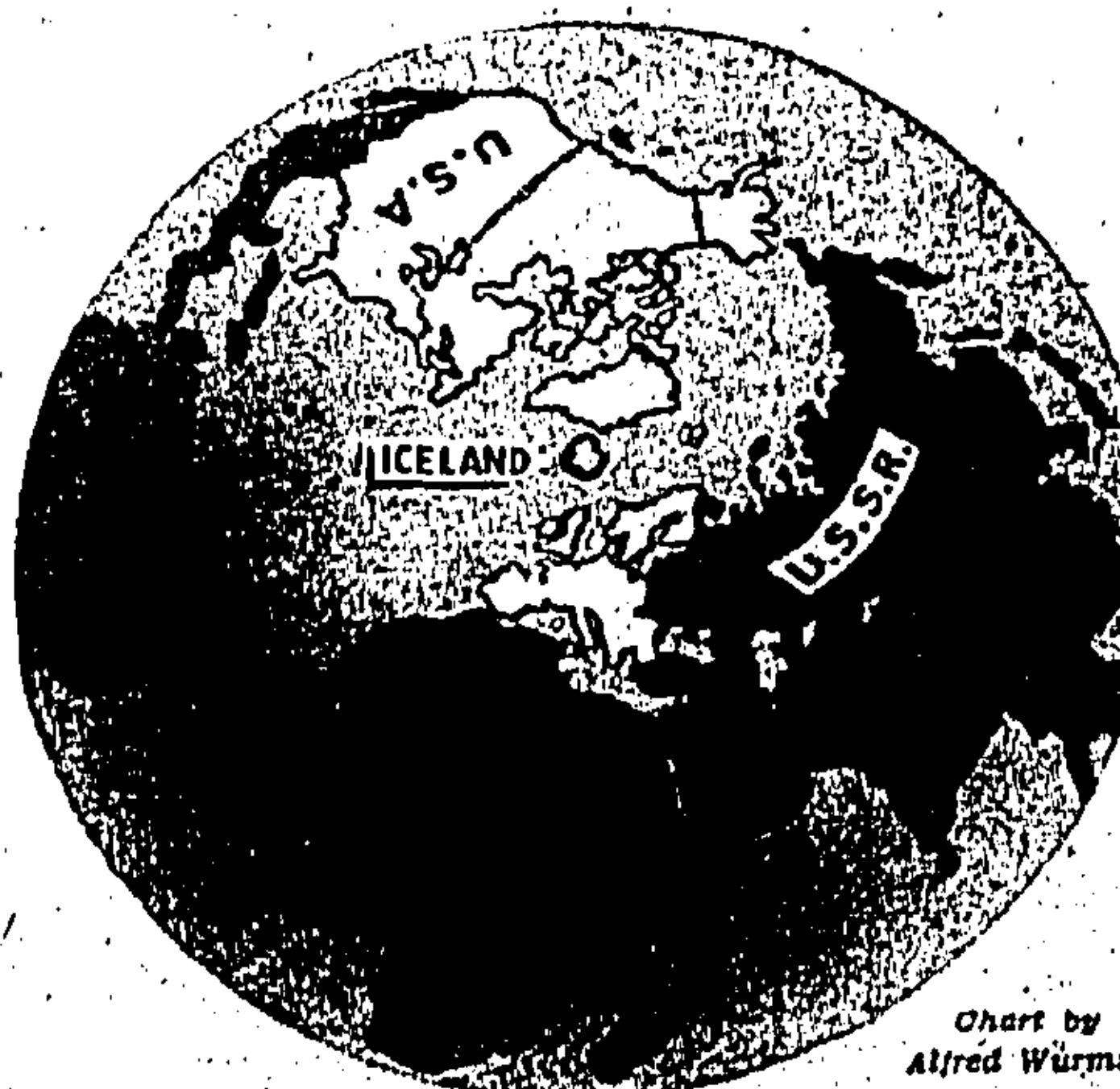
We lose one. We keep the other. But neither shows much concern for NATO. They are far more devoted to the quarrel among themselves and Greek-ness—against Britain.

Where else does NATO crumble? Most of all, in Iceland. Her parliament has gone one better than all the others. She has given the U.S. army, navy and air force contingents on the island 10 months' notice to leave. Under his treaty obligations, law-abiding Uncle Sam is bound to comply.

THE LOSS
The loss has still to be confirmed in an Icelandic general election on June 24. But there is no doubt about the result. NATO will be evicted—and the West deprived of it.

(a) A half-way-to-Moscow flying station, less than four hours' bomber time from the Russian capital. The flying station, at Keflavik airfield, also enables jet fighters to be flown to Europe from America, in stead of being dismantled and shipped by sea—a hazardous business in war, and hopelessly slow.

(b) A radar station giving first warning that Russian bombers are on their way.



ICELAND—Most of all NATO trembles there.

(c) An invaluable naval, submarine and anti-submarine base. That, then, is the NATO picture. What does it add up to? I will tell you. Fourteen divisions from the Baltic to the Alps. Ten divisions in reserve. Against the NATO army are ranged 85 Russian armoured and mechanised divisions, 110 infantry divisions, and 80 divisions from the enslaved countries of Eastern Europe.

IT IS PLAIN
Thus it is plain that NATO is not the way to hold the Russians army in check. But do not be disturbed. For before NATO, before we committed the criminal folly of attempting to disarm the Germans, there was not even a sham defence system against the Russians. And yet they did not march.

How much less likely are they to march now—with Stalin, the madman, dead, and both sides possessing weapons that would destroy, annihilate, annihilate and us all.

France and Germany know that. That is why they don't give a fig for NATO. Nor should we.

IT'S IN BRITAIN

The way to defeat Communism, and to enrich our own islands, is by sustaining the Commonwealth and Empire. By showing the underdogs of the world that we have more to offer them in equality, education and wealth than the Communism that now beckons them.

And it so happens that the underdogs are not in Europe. Nor is it in Europe that the threat to peace lies.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Cheap At The Price

TOM is a Yorkshireman, and to many such Leeds is the queen of cities, outshining dull provincial settlements like Paris, Rome, Vienna, Dr Johnson, true Yorkshiremen believe, was misquoted when he said: "...when a man is tired of London he is tired of life..." He meant Leeds.

There are, of course, in Yorkshire, all communities, occasional dissenters from the general view. One such Tom seems to have been. He was in Leeds the other afternoon. Spring had laid its hand upon the fair city, touching it with its wand, and special brand of magic, bringing on the buds in Roundhay Park, Contentment should have abounded, but Tom was not content. Leeds seemed to him like a prison.

INSPIRATION

He strolled to the City Station, hoping, perhaps, to seek out his wanderlust vicariously, by watching other people quit the city.

At the station, a loudspeaker voice was intoning the arrival and departure of trains. Tom might have been waiting for the train of his own making. The next train to leave from platform ... is the ... for London.

Inspiration came suddenly to Tom. As he was later to recall: "I heard that about the train for London, and I said to myself, that's the one for me. I'll take that one, so I went and got a ticket."

A PLATFORM TICKET

He did not go to the booking office, however, but to the nearest platform ticket machine. He put in a penny, drew out a ticket, and a few moments later joined the London train.

Next morning, at the Clarendon well court, Tom, a greying man of 40, dapper and wearing a neatly trimmed moustache, pleaded guilty to the charge of travelling without paying his fare.

GOOD WORK RECORD

"YES, Mr. quite," he told a "work record" mostly as a labourer in engineering firms.

He left his last job three days ago—he had been there two months. Before that he was for two years a school caretaker in Hull.

"Had he any money on him when he was arrested?"

"He had £1."

The magistrate turned to Tom, and asked him what he had to say. Tom told of his inspiration at Leeds City Station. "I just got a platform ticket," he said, "and jumped on 'train."

"What were you going to do with that money?"

INADEQUATE, BUT....

"WELL, I'm sorry, I s'pose," Tom answered, as if he grudged every syllable of the admission.

The magistrate wrote in his register, then turned again to Tom. "The penalty I'm going to impose," he said, "is totally inadequate. But you've not done this sort of thing before. If you do it again, you will go to prison. You must pay a fine of 15s."

REDIFFUSION

13 noon, Time Signal—Popular Times, 12.35 p.m., Double Attraction, Hoagy Carmichael (vocal), Ella and Paloma (vocal), 1. Time Signal, "Waiting for Paul Lincke", London Promenade Orchestra, 1.15 News, Weather Report and Special Announcements, 1.30, BBC Concert Hall, BBC Symphony Orchestra, Conductor: Sir Malcolm Sargent, 2.30, Variety Calls the Tune, 3. Secre of South Yorks—Narrated by Clive Brooks, 3.30, Music by Lopez, 4. Romance of the World—The Story of the Queen of Sweden, 4.15, The Two, 4.30, Strictly Instrumental, 4. Children's Corner—Conducted by Anne Margaret, 5.30, Monday Concert House—Presented by Betty, 6.30, Birthday Mailbox, 6.30, La Musique Française—Presented by Jeanette Fyfe, 7. 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